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SHOUKICHI IS A STYLIST WHO STRUGGLES WITH BEING UNPOPULAR DUE TO HIM BEING UNFRIENDLY AND OVERLY SERIOUS ABOUT EVERYTHING. FUKUSUKE, A TOP STYLIST WHO IS FRIVOLOUS AND SARCASTIC, STARTS WORKING AT SHOUKICHI'S SALON ONE NIGHT, SHOUKICHI LETS FUKUSUKE STAY OVER AT HIS PLACE BECAUSE FUKUSUKE MISSED THE LAST TRAIN. WHILE SHOUKICHI IS SLEEPING, FUKUSUKE CLIMBS ON TOP OF HIM AND PUSHES HIS DICK IN HIS FACE. BECAUSE OF THIS [illegible] THAT FUKUSUKE DOES, SHOUKICHI BEGINS TO HATE HIM MORE AND MORE. HOWEVER, AS CREEPY THINGS CONTINUE TO HAPPEN TO [illegible]UKICHI, HIS [illegible]HTS ABOUT FUKUSUKE BEGIN TO CHANGE...

MAYBE HE'S A PRINCE [illegible]
WHAT HAPPENS TO SOM[illegible]
WHO IS STUBBORN BUT [illegible]
ABOUT SOMETHING THEY REALLY [illegible]

[illegible]S NEWLY DRAWN BRO & ADDITIONAL NEWLY DRAWN PAGES!

HA HA, WE'RE NOT THINKING STRAIGHT...

PLEASE TAKE ONE.
PLEASE TAKE ONE.
THANK YOU.
<GRABS>
WHAT'S THIS?
A BEAUTY SALON?
AHAHA!
I DON'T NEED THIS.

HERE.

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OH, THANK YOU...
NO, I'M A STYLIST.
ARE YOU AN ASSIS-TANT?

<PULL BACK>
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すか。
WOOOW, SERIOUSLY?
<CRUMPLE>
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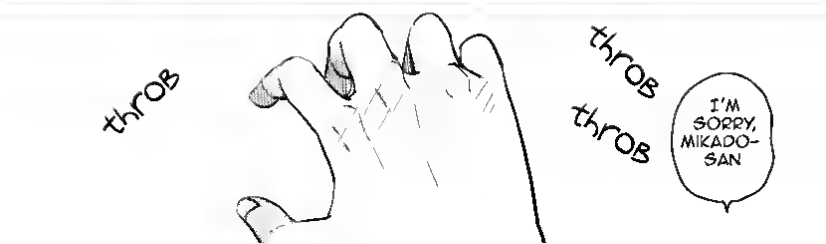
<CLENCH>
YOUR SALON MUST BE PRETTY UNPOPULAR IF A STYLIST HAS THIS MUCH TIME TO BE HANDING OUT FLYERS. IT SUCKS HAVING TO WORK UNDER SUCH A SAD EXCUSE OF AN OWNER, DOESN'T IT?
<DROPS>
AH!
<PUNCH>

DON'T HIT PEOPLE USING YOUR WORKING HAND!!!
I CAN'T LET HIM MAKE FUN OF YOU, MIKADO-SAN!
THAT GUY WENT TOO FAR! I DON'T CARE IF HE MAKES FUN OF ME BUT
<FALLS>
SHOU-KUN!
TAKE CARE OF IT!
<SQUEEZE>
YOU NEED IT FOR YOUR JOB!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I'M SORRY, MIKADO-SAN

FIRST OF ALL, HE'S GOT NOTHING TO DO WITH MIKADO-SAN AND YET GOES AND CRITICIZES HIM LIKE HE KNOWS HIM.
BUT I'VE NEVER MET ANYONE SO RUDE!
WHEN I PASS OUT FLIERS, SURE, I GET ROPED INTO SOMETHING WEIRD SOMETIMES.
ANYWAY, WHAT'S WITH THAT GUY!? I'M SO PISSED OFF!
<BLOW>
I'M NOT GOOD AT TALKING BACK TO PEOPLE, SO I CAN'T HELP BUT USE MY FISTS TO WIN THE ARGUMENT.
I NEED TO MAKE IT HEAL FASTER.
<SFX: CREAK>
UGHH. I GET SO PISSED OFF JUST REMEMBERING HIM!
I NEVER WANT TO SEE HIS FACE AGAIN...

WELL HELLO THERE, VICIOUS STYLIST SHOUKICHI-KUN!
IT'S KIND OF CRUEL TO PUNCH SOMEONE AND RUN AWAY WITH-OUT APOLO-GIZING, DON'T YOU THINK!?
...URGH!
I- IT'S YOU.
OH? YOU KNOW HIM?
HUUH!?
I PUNCHED YOU 'CAUSE YOU BLABBED SOME RIDICU-LOUSLY RUDE THINGS!
SHOU-KUN, AGAIN?
IT WAS KIND OF FUNNY WHEN NO ONE WAS TAKING THEM FROM HIM... HE LOOKED SOOO PITIFUL AND I TRIED TO TALK TO HIM, BUT THEN HE WENT AND PUNCHED ME.
YEAH, I SAW HIM PASSING OUT FLYERS WITH AN EXTREMELY SOUR LOOK ON HIS FACE.
<RUFFLE>
HEY NOW.

I'M SORRY.
BUT MIKADO-SAN
JUST THE OTHER DAY YOU PUNCHED AN OLD MAN FOR SEXUALLY HARASSING RIKU-CHAN DIDN'T I TELL YOU OVER AND OVER NOT TO USE YOUR WORKING HAND?
YOU'RE GONNA END UP NOT BEING ABLE TO HOLD SCISSORS, YOU KNOW?
SO ALL THE TROUBLE WENT TO SHOUKICHI-KUN, 'CAUSE HE'S BAD AT CUSTOMER SERVICE. AHAHA!
Right Riku?
HUH!?
THIS IS FUKUSUKE-KUN! HE WILL BE WORKING WITH US STARTING TOMORROW!
HE'S 26 YEARS OLD AND THIS IS HIS 2ND YEAR AS A STYLIST.
HE'S ONE YEAR OLDER THAN YOU, SHOU-KUN
WHO IS THIS GUY?
"THIS GUY"?

SOR-RYYY I FORGOT TO TELL YOU GUYS
ME TOO!
didn't know either!
MIKADO-SAN, I DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT THIS.
WELL, IT'S LIKE THIS. I HAPPENED TO MEET HIM WHILE DRINKING AT A BAR I HAD WENT TO NOT TOO LONG AGO, YOU SEE. AND WHEN WE STARTED TO CHAT, I FOUND OUT THAT HE WAS IN THE SAME PROFESSION AS ME, SO I BEGAN MY COMPLAINING. I TOLD HIM I WAS HAPPY THAT I'VE BECOME AN INDEPENDENT SALON OWNER JUST AS I HAD ALWAYS WISHED, BUT IT IS HARDER THAN IT LOOKS SINCE NOW I DON'T GET HELP FROM THE COMPANY I HAD WORKED AT BEFORE AND THE ONLY PEOPLE I ENDED UP HIRING FOR MY STAFF ARE TROUBLEMAKERS AND JUST WHEN I THOUGHT I HAD SECURED A GOOD LOCATION FOR MY SALON, OTHER SALONS STARTED OPENING UP AROUND HERE, SO I NEVER HAVE ANY NEW CUSTOMERS! THEN ON TOP OF IT ALL, MY WIFE HAS BEEN ACTING COLD...
SO YOU WENT AND COMPLAINED ABOUT THOSE THINGS TO SOMEONE YOU MET FOR THE FIRST TIME? THAT'S SO LIKE YOU
Troublemakers?!
YOU BASICALLY SCOUTED HIM!?
THAT'S RIGHT!
AND SO, WHO WOULD HAVE KNOWN THAT A YOUNG, HANDSOME, STYLIST WHO WORKS AT A PRESTIGIOUS SALON IN CENTRAL TOKYO WAS LOOKING FOR A NEW JOB!
My My My
The salon I work at now is a worthwhile job, of course, but I think it will be fun to work at your salon, Mikado-san
Huh? Seriously? Come work for me then!
BUT, I MEAN, PRETTY MUCH THE ONLY CUSTOMERS WHO COME HERE ALL ASK FOR YOU, MIKADO-SAN, SO WHAT'S THE POINT OF HAVING MORE STYLISTS WORKING HERE?!
RIKU!!
THAT'S BECAUSE YOU CAN'T GET ANY REGULAR CUSTOMERS, SHOU-KICHI-KUN.
Go have some!!

THAT'S EXACTLY WHY.
HAVE YOU SEEN THE APPOINTMENT CHART FOR YESTERDAY?
YES. I HAVE CHECKED IT.
It's rare for us to be so full of appointments
SINCE I HAVEN'T CREATED A NEW ROW YET, I PUT ALL THOSE APPOINTMENTS INTO THE FREELANCE SECTION~
BUT ALL OF THOSE APPOINTMENTS ARE CUSTOMERS ASKING FOR FUKU-CHAN.
It's pretty amazing, isn't it? Considering it's his first day tomorrow.
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YOU THOUGHT THOSE NEW CUSTOMERS WERE ASKING FOR YOU?
PAT
MIKADO-SAAAN, IF I'M THE ONLY ASSISTANT FOR THAT MANY CUSTOMERS, I DON'T KNOW IF I CAN DO IT.
DON'T WORRY, DON'T WORRY! WE'LL HAVE SHOU-KUN BE FUKU-CHAN'S HELPER.
...ME!?
OF COURSE IF YOU GET A CUSTOMER HERE FOR YOU, I'LL HAVE YOU GO AND CUT HAIR, BUT OTHERWISE YOU'LL BE MORE USEFUL AS ANOTHER HELPER.
LET'S GET ALONG STARTING TOMORROW, SHOUKICHI-KUN.
<FLINCH>
THAT MEANS!

...GOT IT.
AND 15 CM, UP FROM THE TIPS HAS TO BE BLEACHED, SO STRENGTHEN THE LEVEL BEFORE YOU COAT THE HAIR AND WASH IT OUT.
UNTIL THE MIDDLE.
FIRST, APPLY THE 30% LEVEL RELAXING PRODUCT TO CM FROM THE ROOTS.
AHAHA! BUT YOU KNOW, HIS STYLING SKILLS ARE BETTER THAN MINE, SO YOU CAN RELAX AND COUNT ON HIM, OKAYYY?
WHAAAT? THAT'S SO CUTEEE!
NO, NO. HE'S PROBABLY NERVOUS BECAUSE YOU'RE SO BEAUTIFUL, TANAKA-SAN. RIGHT?
HE'S JUST CAUTIOUS AROUND YOU, FUKU-CHAN
OKA-YYY?
WHAT'S WITH YOU!? BE A LITTLE MORE FRIENDLY!
DO IT RIGHT
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BUT I THINK I CAN CUT THEM BETTER FOR YOU, OKAY?
WHAT? NO! YOU THINK YOU MESSED UP? I THINK YOU CUT THEM BEAUTIFULLY!
I KNEW IT, IT'S OBVIOUS, ISN'T IT? I MESSED UP, SO DON'T LAUGH AT ME!
AHHH! HOW DID YOU KNOW!?
I'M SORRY TO HAVE KEPT YOU WAITING!
OH, YOU CUT YOUR OWN BANGS?
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THOUGHT YOU WERE BAD, I WOULDN'T HAVE ASKED YOU TO!
REAL-LYYY?

WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU TODAY?
ALRIGHT
PLEASE EXCUSE MY REACH
OH, JUST THE USUAL.
HOW ABOUT TRYING A COMPLETELY NEW STYLE?
UMM, I DON'T KNOW, I HAVEN'T THOUGHT ABOUT WHAT I WANT TO DO
FOR EXAMPLE
WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU TODAY? SHOULD I RETOUCH THE ENDS WITH A GRADIENT-STYLE HAIR DYE LIKE LAST TIME?
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YOU'RE FREE ANYWAY, AREN'T YOU?
AFTER THAT, GIVE THE MALE CUSTOMER WHO CAME IN A SHAMPOOING FIRST, BECAUSE THE CONSULTATION CAN BE DONE LATER
IN 3 MINUTES, MY CUSTOMER NEEDS TO HAVE THE 2 COMPONENT SOLUTION WASHED OUT AND THE HAIR BLOW DRIED
ARE YOU DONE CUTTING?
THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
OKAY.
Don't touch me
HMM?
YOU THINK THOSE TWO ARE DOING OKAY?
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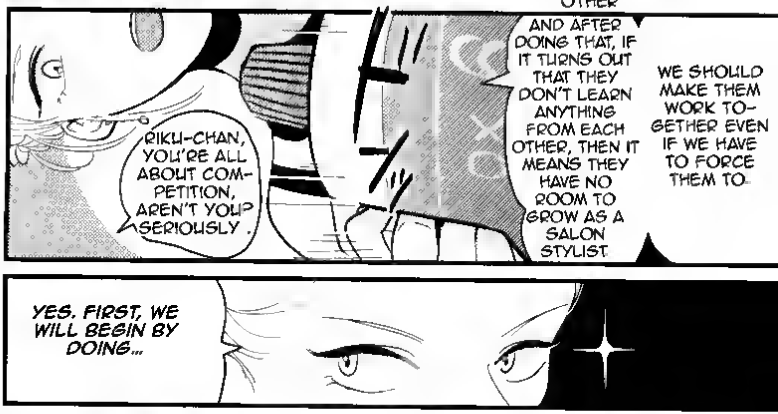
HOWEVER, SINCE FUKU-CHAN HAS A LOT OF CUSTOMERS ASKING FOR HIM, I'LL BE HONEST AND SAY THAT HE HAS TRULY SAVED OUR SALON HERE
IF YOU SAID THAT IN FRONT OF SHOU-KICHI-SAN, HE WOULD BE CRY.
He really touchy about that
RIKU-CHAN, DO YOU HAVE SOME KIND OF A PLAN?
A TYPE OF PERSON WHO PRIORITIZES SKILLS AND
A TYPE OF PERSON WHO PRIORITIZES BEING A GOOD TALKER.
I THOUGHT THAT IF THOSE TWO TYPES OF PERSONALITIES CLASHED, THEY WOULD MOTIVATE EACH OTHER
BUT SO FAR, THEY'RE LIKE WATER AND OIL TOGETHER, AREN'T THEY?


RIKU-CHAN, YOU'RE ALL ABOUT COMPETITION, AREN'T YOU? SERIOUSLY.
AND AFTER DOING THAT, IF IT TURNS OUT THAT THEY DON'T LEARN ANYTHING FROM EACH OTHER, THEN IT MEANS THEY HAVE NO ROOM TO GROW AS A SALON STYLIST
WE SHOULD MAKE THEM WORK TOGETHER EVEN IF WE HAVE TO FORCE THEM TO.

YES. FIRST, WE WILL BEGIN BY DOING...

A SKILLS CHECK!?
Why only now?

AM I DOING ALL THE SALON PROCE-DURES?
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STOP SAYING "THIS GUY" YOU BRAT!
...I HAVE TO DO THIS!?
THAT'S RIGHT!
Check this guy's skills!?
NO
ONLY THREE: SHAM-POO, CUT, AND HAIR SPA.
OF COURSE I HAVE FAITH IN YOUR METHODS, FUKU-CHAN, SO YOU'LL BE FINE IF YOU JUST DO WHAT YOU ALWAYS DO.
YOU'LL BE HERE AFTER BUSINESS HOURS FOR SOME TIME SO
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WE STARTED ATTENDING COURSES IN HAIR SETTING, BUSINESS MANU-FACTURING, AND MAKEUP
HERE ARE THE KEYS, SHOU-KUN. MAKE SURE TO TURN ON THE SECURITY SYSTEM WHEN YOU LEAVE AND LOCK UP OKAYYY?
AND
TRY TO GET ALONG WITH FUKU-CHAN, OKAY?
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OKAY

cut
cut
TCH! THIS IS SUCH A PAIN.
WHY DO I NEED TO HAVE SOMEONE A YEAR YOUNGER THAN ME RATE ME?
I DON'T WANT TO DO THIS EITHER.
ANYWAYS, ARE YOU DONE YET? I'M WAITING, YOU KNOW.
ARE YOU IGNORING ME OR SOMETHING?
SIGH
YOU'RE REALLY SUCH AN UNFRIENDLY GUY AS ALWAYS.
<SFX: BLOW DRY>
ARE YOU REALLY ALWAYS SO SERIOUS?

Tch
Just shut up and give it back!
Why are you practicing such a basic haircut now of all times?
On the other hand, now the cut is perfect.
Hey! Don't touch!
Hmm
Click
Woah
Okay, I got it.
The few customers who ask for you are basically all male, so you feel insecure if you don't practice doing ladies' cuts, right?
But if you serve the female customers with such an unfriendly look on your face, they're never going to remain your customers, riiiight?
You need to do your job instead of blabbing your mouth off!
Look at yourself!
You take way too long to do the consultation and the procedure, you know!
Uoo
You probably used your assistants as much as you wanted at your old salon, but here, we only have Riku, so realize the situation of this salon and-
AH !!!
!?

I MISSED THE LAST TRAIN.
WHAAAAT!?
UGHH, LET'S DO THE CHECKS TOMORROW, OKAY?
WAIT! WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY SOMETHING SOONER!?
I DID TELL YOU, DIDN'T I? I TOLD YOU TO HURRY UP
THIS IS ALL BECAUSE YOU SAID "WAIT UNTIL I'M DONE PRACTICING"
UGHHH,
tick tock
tick tock
WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO?
GET A TAXI..?
YEAH RIGHT. AS IF I CAN AFFORD SUCH A LUXURY
I'LL JUST GO KILL SOME TIME AT A SHOP AROUND HERE
HOLD ON!
I'LL GIVE YOU MONEY FOR THE TAXI...
I DON'T NEED IT.
I HATE BORROWING MONEY FROM PEOPLE.
<FX: SUIK>
...M-
MY PLACE!
IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER SO
INSTEAD OF STAYING AT A HOTEL
JUST CRASH THERE
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YOUR ROOM IS REALLY OUT OF TASTE
YOU'RE SUCH A BORING GUY
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WHO SAID YOU COULD DRINK MY SAKE?!!!
WHAAAT?
COME ON, IT'S FINE
I CAN'T SLEEP IF I DON'T DRINK SAKE, OKAYYY?
HEY,
WHY DON'T YOU JOIN ME?

TCH!
I SHOULDN'T HAVE LET YOU STAY OVER
QUIT SCREWING AROUND! WE HAVE WORK TOMORROW, YOU KNOW!
WOW, EVEN OFF WORK YOU'RE WORRIED ABOUT WORK!
SHOU-KICHI-KUN, YOU'RE SOOO DAMN SERIOUS~~~~
HOW MEAN.
WHY DO YOU HATE ME SO MUCH?
DON'T YOU EVEN REMEMBER THE WORDS THAT CAME OUT OF THAT MOUTH OF YOURS?
YOU CALLED MIKADO-SAN "A SAD EXCUSE OF AN OWNER" AND YET IN FRONT OF HIM YOU'RE ALL SMILES
I HATE GUYS LIKE YOU.
YOU BRAT.
WHAT I SAID IS THE TRUTH.
HE OPENED UP A SALON BEFORE GATHERING WELL-EQUIPPED STAFF AND
HIRED A STYLIST WHO CAN'T EVEN ATTRACT CUSTOMERS.
ALL BECAUSE HE WORKED AT A CHAIN SALON AND FOUND IT TOO BORING?
HIS WAY OF THINKING IS TOO NAIVE.
AND THAT GOES FOR YOU TOO.
IF YOU REALLY WANT SOMETHING...
YOU NEED TO THIRST AFTER IT SO MUCH THAT YOU'RE WILLING TO USE OTHERS AND EVEN KICK THEM DOWN IN ORDER TO GRASP IT

HUH?
I GUESS
LET'S PUT IT THAT WAY
YEAH, THAT'S RIGHT
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THEN WHY DID YOU COME TO MIKADO-SAN'S SALON!?
BECAUSE IT FINALLY HIT YOU THAT YOU COULDN'T BE A "SHINNING STAR" AT THAT PRESTIGIOUS SALON YOU WORKED AT BEFORE, SO YOU RAN AWAY HERE, RIGHT!?
BUT THEY WERE ALL JUST TROLLS TRYING TO CREATE THE LATEST TRENDS, THOUGH.
'CAUSE THERE WERE THOSE MAGAZINE SHOOTINGS, INTERVIEWS, AND THINGS LIKE THAT. AND THE PLACE WAS SWARMING WITH GUYS OLDER AND MORE POPULAR THAN ME, YOU KNOW?
AND IF YOU PUT IN ONLY AN AVERAGE AMOUNT OF EFFORT, YOU'LL NEVER BREAK THROUGH IT.
BUT I THINK, JUST LIKE IN ANY OTHER SERVICE INDUSTRY, THERE IS ALWAYS GOING TO BE A THICK BARRIER AT THE TOP.
EACH AND EVERY CUSTOMER WHO CAME TO THAT PLACE
WAS ONLY AFTER A "POPULAR STYLIST FROM A PRESTIGIOUS SALON", YOU KNOW?
IT'S NOT IMPORTANT FOR ME TO BECOME SOME UNTRENDY, BUT "CHARISMATIC" SALON STYLIST, LIKE THOSE OTHERS
THERE'S NO POINT FOR ME TO PUT SO MUCH EFFORT IN A PLACE LIKE THAT
HOWEVER, IN MY CASE, WHAT I WANT IS NOT ANYTHING BEYOND THAT BARRIER. SO

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IS IT JOB SECURITY THEN?
WELL, NO, I GAINED FAME BY WORKING AT A PRESTIGIOUS SALON, SO~~~
<GULP>
NOW I HAVE MANY CUSTOMERS WHO ASK FOR ME. BUT I JUST DECIDED TO QUIT OR WHATEVER YOU WANT TO CALL IT IT WAS JUST A JOB CHANGE!
OH, OF COURSE I MANAGED TO DEBUT AS A STYLIST IN 4 YEARS EVEN THOUGH IT TAKES 5 YEARS TO DO AT THAT SALON. I PUT IN TWICE AS MUCH EFFORT THAN OTHERS.
TO ME
TO ME
IT SOUNDS LIKE YOU'RE JUST MAKING EXCUSES!
I STILL THINK YOU RAN AWAY.
I WANTED TO WORK AT A PRESTIGIOUS SALON AND
BECOME THAT CHARISMATIC SALON STYLIST THAT YOU CALLED UNTRENDY.

YOU'RE UNFRIENDLY, SO YOU LOST FROM THE MOMENT YOU STARTED JOB HUNTING. IN THIS BUSINESS, YOU NEED MORE THAN JUST BEING GOOD WITH YOUR HANDS. YOU'RE NOT SOME ARTISAN FROM THE PAST! JUST CHANGE YOUR PERSONALITY A LITTLE.
DON'T RUIN YOUR SELF-ESTEEM.
MI-
MIKADO-SAN SAID THE SAME THING!
I KNOW...
AH
AHH
SORRY, I GUESS I SHOULDN'T HAVE SAID THAT NOW.
SIGH
SCARY! YOU HAVE SUCH A SHORT TEMPER, SHOU-KICHI-KUN.
DON'T TALK BAD ABOUT MIKA-DO-SAN! I'LL SEND YOU FLYING IF YOU DO!
HE'S A GOOD PERSON, BUT SEEMS UNRELI-ABLE AS A MAN, DON'T YOU THINK?
BUT HEY,
AT LEAST MIKADO-SAN IS GETTING ALONG WITH HIS WIFE JUST FINE NOW.

I ONLY HAVE ONE. JUST SLEEP IN THE CHAIR.
WHAT ABOUT MY FUTON?
IT'S ABOUT TIME TO GO TO SLEEP ALREADY
MOVE. I'M GONNA LAY DOWN THE FUTON.
SHUT UP.
KICK
HELL NO.
WELL, CAN'T WE SLEEP TOGETHER?
WAIT!
DON'T GET IN!
HEY!
NO!
WHY?
YOU SHY?
click
SHOU-KUN.
GOOD NIGHT

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DO YOUR BEST
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DO YOUR BEST
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YOU WON THE CONTEST SO
YOU'RE NUMBER ONE IN BOTH PRACTI-CAL SKILLS AND TEST SKILLS~
A GUY LIKE YOU CAN FIND A GOOD JOB AND
DEFI-NITELY MAKE AN IMPACT.
I'M COUNTING ON YOU.
DO YOUR BEST.
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THAT'S AMAZING!

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JUST WHEN I WAS ABOUT TO CUM.
TCH!
YOU WOKE UP.
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IT'S-
IT'S-
DIRTY ...!
HUH?
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CYAAA!
<GRAB>
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING!?
YOU HALF-ASLEEP OR SOME-THING!?
HEY!
HEY!!
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OW
<SFX: CLENCH>
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haa
haa
HEY
HEYYY
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stroke
HEY...!

STOP……
<SFX SLIDE>

<SFX: STROKE>
Haa
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Haa
<SFX: FLINCH>
shou-kun

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<SFX: SPLATTER>
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<SFX: BA-DUMP>
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MIKADO-
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<SFX: TAP TAP TAP TAP>
<SFX: SPLASH>
MIKADO-SAN?
HUH?

<POW!?
<SFX: SMACK>
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WHAT IS IT NOW?
HOW DARE YOU DO THAT!
EVEN PUNCHING YOU WON'T BE GOOD ENOUGH!
THERE ARE THINGS YOU CAN AND CANNOT DO, AREN'T THERE!?
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GEEZ, YOU'RE SO LOUD FIRST THING IN THE MORNING I HAVE A LOW BLOOD PRESSURE, YOU KNOW.
STOP SCREWING AROUND, YOU DAMN IDIOT! AND PUT ON SOME PANTS!! GOD, YOU'RE SUCH AN IDIOT!!
HUH?
OH…
DID YOU THINK YOU WERE GONNA GET FUCKED BY THIS?
<SHOCK>
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SORRY. I WAS DRUNK. JUST FORGET THAT EVER HAPPENED.
<PUNCH!>
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SHOU-KICHI-KUN, YOU GOT SHORT LEGS, HUH?
SHUT UUUP.
DON'T BORROW CLOTHES FROM PEOPLE AND THEN GO ON AND ON COMPLAIN-ING, YOU PERVERT.
UGHH, THAT HUUURT.
I HAVEN'T EVEN HEALED FROM LAST TIME AND YOU GO AND PUNCH ME IN THE SAME EXACT SPOT AGAIN. I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN.
YOU'RE SUCH A SIMPLE, FOOL-ISH, VIO-LENT GUY.
AND SERI-OUSLY, YOUR CLOTHES ARE TOO TIGHT ON ME.
I MEAN, LOOK HOW SHORT THESE PANTS ARE.
TCH!
I WANT TO PUNCH YOU AGAIN
YOU WERE THE ONE WHO SAID IT'S BAD TO WEAR THE SAME CLOTHES FOR TWO DAYS WHEN WORKING IN CUSTOMER SERVICE, SO THAT'S WHY I BORROWED THEM.

WHAT?
WAIT.
RIKU IS CHANG-ING
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ARE YOU SERI-OUSLY THAT IN-CONSID-ERATE...
HEY!
HEY, HEY, HEY!
YEAH, SO?
MOVE YOU'RE IN MY WAY
<SFX: PRETENDING NOT TO LOOK>
MIKADO-SAN HAS BEEN SAYING FOR A LONG TIME NOW THAT HE WAS GOING TO PUT IN ON THE MENU ALONG WITH THE HAIR STYLE SETS, SO
GOOD LUCK!
THANKS
OH, WELL JUST AS I THOUGHT. THANKFULLY IT DIDN'T TAKE ME LONG TO GET USED TO DOING IT ON OTHERS, BECAUSE I DO IT ON MYSELF EVERYDAY
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GOOD MORN-INGES
HOW DID THE MAKEUP COURSE GO?
I'M SORRY
MORNING. HURRY UP AND CHANGE ALREADY.

OH, DIDN'T I TELL YOU?
I'M A GUY.
GOOD M-
!?
HEY,
GOOD MORN-ING,
I DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT THIS!! WHY? WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME, SHOUKICHI-KUN? I THOUGHT WE WERE FRIENDS! I MEAN, WE EVEN SPENT THE NIGHT TOGETHER!!!
WHA-! BE QUIET!!!
DON'T TELL ME TO BE QUIET, YOU BRAT!
YOU SPENT THE NIGHT TO-GETHER, HUH
SO YOU LET HIM STAY OVER? THAT'S NEW
BESIDES MIKADO-SAN, ANYONE ELSE YOU TALK TO FOR MORE THAN 3 HOURS YOU END UP GETTING INTO A FIGHT WITH
RIKU!!
<SFX SPARKLE>
HE SAID HE MISSED THE LAST TRAIN, SO I HAD NO CHOICE
IT'S NOT LIKE I WANTED TO
THE LAST TRAIN?
IF YOU MAKE OUR NEW STAFF WORK UNTIL THAT LATE THEY'RE NOT GOING TO WANT YOU TO OVERSEE THEIR SKILLS CHECKS AND IT'LL BE A SHAME SINCE YOU'RE SO GOOD AT THAT.
RIKU!!
BY THE WAY YOU LOOK GREAT AS ALWAYS

HUH?
WOW, YOU SURE GET ALONG WELL WITH RIKU.
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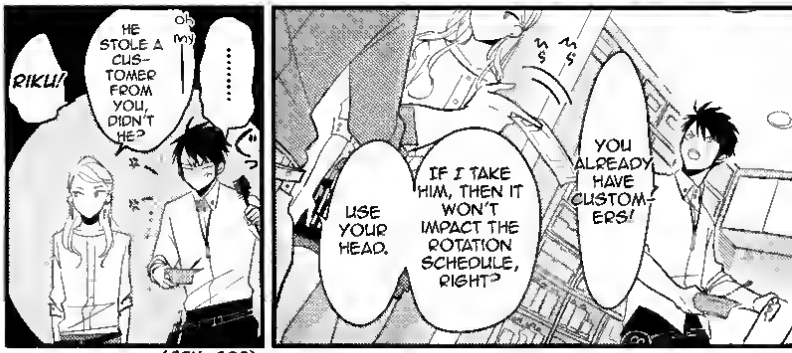
<GRAB>
YOU TWO WON'T MAKE A GOOD MATCH CONSIDERING RIKU'S LOOKS AND HOW CLOSE HE IS TO THAT "SWEET, KIND" MIKADO-SAN OF YOURS, SO I'M KIND OF WORRIED FOR YOU NOW.
HMM, BUT CLEARLY
I'LL JUST SAY THAT I ACCIDENTALLY MISTOOK YOUR FACE FOR XXX AND MASTURBATED, YOU KNOW?
GO AHEAD, WHY DON'T YOU~~~?
YOU'LL BE THE EMBARRASSED ONE, SHOU-KICHI--KUN.
SHUT UUUUP OR I'LL TELL EVERYONE ABOUT THAT PERVERTED THING YOU DID
<SFX WHISPER>
I KNEW YOU WERE GONNA DO-
IDIOT!
DIE!

<SFX: THROB THROB>

I'll go your assistant tools for you.
SHOU-KICHI-SAN
THERE'S A MAN HERE WITHOUT AN AP-POINT-MENT, CAN YOU TAKE CARE OF IT?
SURE. SIT HIM DOWN.
I APPLIED TREATMENT ON THE TIPS OF THE HAIR RIGHT NOW AND WILL WASH IT OUT IN 5 MIN-UTES, SO SET THE TIMER PLEASE
WHEN I'M OONE WITH THAT CUT, I'LL COME BACK TO HELP...
<TAKE> 7

THAT'S OKAY, I CAN DO IT.


RIKU!
HE STOLE A CUSTOMER FROM YOU, DIDN'T HE?
Oh my
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YOU ALREADY HAVE CUSTOMERS!
IF I TAKE HIM, THEN IT WON'T IMPACT THE ROTATION SCHEDULE, RIGHT?
USE YOUR HEAD.

<SFX GRR>

HEY
HOW COME YOU CAN'T PROPERLY UNDERSTAND MIYASHITA-SAN?
SHE COMES TO BEAUTY SALONS BASICALLY JUST TO CHAT.
HUH?
WELL, WHAT'S YOUR PROBLEM? YOU KEEP MAKING ME HELP YOU BUT YOU DON'T TELL ME ANYTHING ABOUT THE CUSTOMERS.
WE DON'T HAVE A RECEPTIONIST HERE, SO AT LEAST WRITE SOME NOTE ON THE CUSTOMER CHECK-IN SLIP BEFORE GIVING IT TO ME.
YOU SHOULD CHECK THAT KIND OF INFORMATION ABOUT THE CUSTOMERS YOURSELF
SERIOUSLY, THIS SERVICE INDUSTRY CAN DO WITHOUT A HIGH-AND-MIGHTY TALKING IDIOT WITH TERRIBLE CUSTOMER SERVICE LIKE YOU.
<SFX: WHISPER WHISPER>
YEAH, SURE, SAYS THE GUY WHO DOES NOTHING BUT TALK AND TALK ALL DAY LONG AND DOES NO WORK.
I DO WORK. DON'T BE JEALOUS JUST BECAUSE YOU HAVE NO SOCIAL SKILLS.
AS IF I'D BE JEALOUS OF A PERVERT
HA! YOU WERE SERIOUSLY SCARED, THOUGH
I WASN'T SCARED
NO I WASN'T
YEAH YOU WERE
YOU GOT ALL TEARY EYED
NO I DIDN'T
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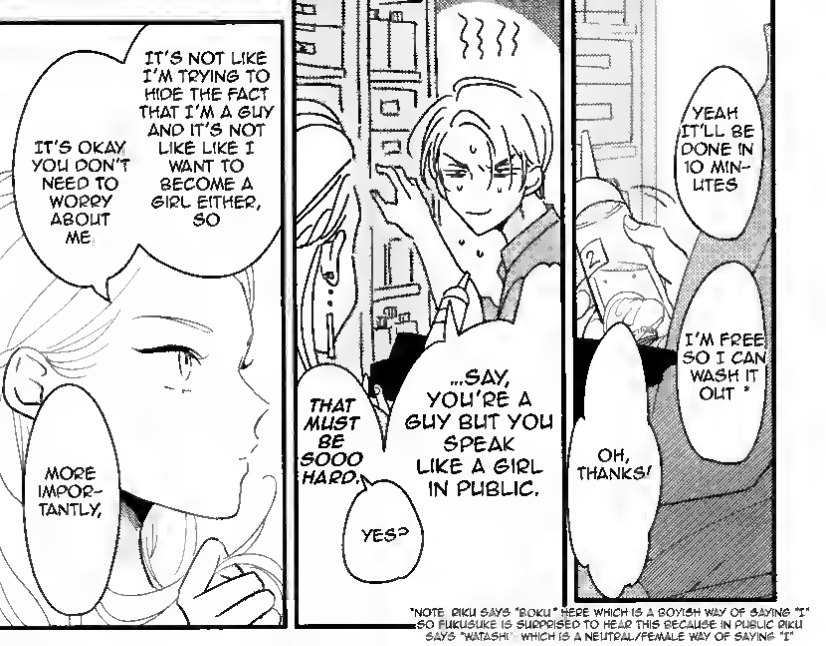
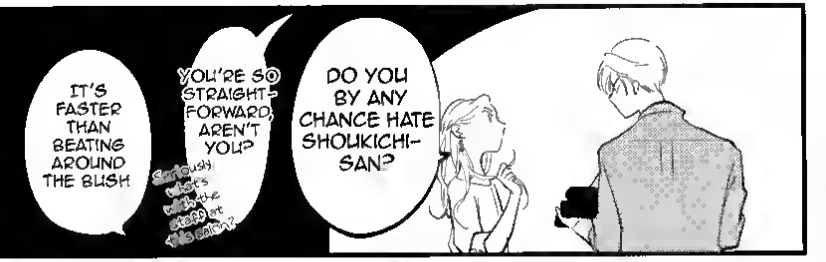
DID YOU... SAY THAT THOSE TWO SPENT THE NIGHT TOGETHER?
YES, I GUESS THEY DID.
THEY AREN'T GETTING ALONG WITH EACH OTHER AT ALL, THOUGH.
.....
...RIKU-CHAAAN~
YES?
THEY WON'T BECOME FRIENDS OVER-NIGHT.
I MEAN,
IT LOOKS TO ME THAT FUKUSUKE-SAN IS TRYING TO MAKE HIM ANGRY ON PURPOSE.
<SFX: BICKER BICKER>
WHAT?
OHH~~. BUT SHOU-KUN CAN'T TAKE JOKES LIKE THAT.
CASUALLY GO OVER THERE AND MAKE PEACE BETWEEN THEM.
YOU KNOW I'M NOT GOOD AT DOING SOME-THING LIKE THAT.
BUT OKAY, I'M GONNA GO TRY.
Since you said Milk doesn't
FUKUSUKE-SAN, ARE YOU WAITING FOR THE HAIR COLOR TO SET RIGHT NOW?


IT'S NOT LIKE I'M TRYING TO HIDE THE FACT THAT I'M A GUY AND IT'S NOT LIKE LIKE I WANT TO BECOME A GIRL EITHER, SO
IT'S OKAY YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY ABOUT ME.
MORE IMPOR-TANTLY,
...SAY, YOU'RE A GUY BUT YOU SPEAK LIKE A GIRL IN PUBLIC.
THAT MUST BE SOOO HARD.
YES?
YEAH IT'LL BE DONE IN 10 MIN-UTES
I'M FREE SO I CAN WASH IT OUT "
OH, THANKS!

"NOTE: RIKU SAYS "BOKU" HERE WHICH IS A BOYISH WAY OF SAYING "I" SO FUKUSUKE IS SURPRISED TO HEAR THIS BECAUSE IN PUBLIC RIKU SAYS "WATASHI" WHICH IS A NEUTRAL/FEMALE WAY OF SAYING "I"


DO YOU BY ANY CHANCE HATE SHOUKICHI-SAN?
YOU'RE SO STRAIGHT-FORWARD, AREN'T YOU?
Sorry sir, what's with the stare? Are you jealous?
IT'S FASTER THAN BEATING AROUND THE BUSH

ALREADY GOT PUNCHED
THAT'S BECAUSE YOU TALK BAD ABOUT MIKADO-SAN AND CALL HIM NAMES. PLEASE BE CAREFUL OR YOU'RE GOING TO GET PUNCHED.
ESPE-CIALLY IF IT'S ABOUT MIKADO-SAN
HE IMMEDI-ATELY GETS ANGRY AND RED IN THE FACE.
SO HE ADORES HIM OR SOME-THING?
HE DOESN'T HAVE ANY CUSTOM-ERS AND IS SHUNNED BY OTHERS.
HE'S A SKILLED HAIR-DRESSER, BUT DOESN'T HAVE THE SOCIAL SKILLS, SO
HE PROBABLY JUST ADMIRES HIM.
I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S ANY-THING AS STRONG AS THAT.

IN THE PAST, MIKADO-SAN HAD ALWAYS SUPPORTED HIM.
BUT WHEN MIKADO-SAN WAS PREPARING TO GO INDEPENDENT TO HAVE HIS OWN PRIVATE SALON, HE NEGLECTED THE SALON HE WAS MANAGING AT THE TIME AND THAT MADE THE STAFF THERE VERY UNHAPPY, AND YET
SHOUKICHI-SAN WAS ALWAYS THERE FOR HIM.
OH〜...
So he complained to him.
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Everyone glared at me when I had to leave early for a meeting with the vendor about the construction of my salon.
BECAUSE MIKADO-SAN WAS LIKE THAT,
A STAFF MEMBER SAID TO HIM, "YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE THE SALON MANAGER AND YET YOU CAN'T EVEN MANAGE PROPERLY."
SO SHOUKICHI-SAN PUNCHED HIM DOWN.
AFTER THAT, IT WAS HARD FOR SHOUKICHI-SAN TO STAY WORKING THERE, SINCE HE WAS ALREADY DISLIKED BY EVERYONE AS IT IS, SO HE TRIED TO QUIT, BUT
LUCKILY, MIKADO-SAN HIRED HIM TO COME WORK FOR HIS NEW SALON.
SO THERE YOU HAVE IT. THIS ISN'T EXACTLY SOMETHING EXTRAORDINARY, BUT
HE'S BASICALLY SOMEONE SHOUKICHI-SAN OWES HIS LIFE TO

HUH...
SO HE'S "DEVOTED TO A MASTER WHO'S KIND TO HIM WHEN HE FEELS DOWN".
I SEE
AHAHAHA. YOU'RE SO HONEST.
YES, WELL, MIKADO-SAN TOLD ME TO SO I HAD NO CHOICE.
YOU'RE TRYING TO MAKE PEACE BETWEEN ME AND SHOU-KICHI-KUN BY TELLING ME THAT STORY, RIGHT?
RIKU
WHAT'S THAT?
I SEE HE IS A TROUBLE-MAKER...
WEEEEELL... THE SALON I WAS WORKING AT HAD AN ALL-FEMALE STAFF SO THEY WERE NICER TO EACH OTHER AND KEPT PUSHING ALL THE WORK ON ME BECAUSE I'M A GUY THAT IRRITATED ME SO THAT'S WHY I STARTED DRESSING UP AS A WOMAN.
THAT REMINDS ME, MIKADO-SAN SAID HE ONLY HIRED TROUBLE-MAKERS, SO DID YOU MESS UP SOMEWHERE TOO?
OR IT'S BECAUSE YOU CROSS-DRESS, RIGHT?

WE ACHIEVED OUR GOAL FOR THE AMOUNT OF SALES WE WANTED TODAY~!!
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Total for April
90% OF IT CAME FROM THE HAIR TREATMENT SERVICE.
WE USED UP A LOT OF STORE PRODUCTS, SO PLEASE MAKE AN ORDER FOR ADDITIONAL SUPPLIES, SHOU-KUN.
OKAY
THIS MONTH'S PROFIT IS AMAZING... IT'S A GOOD SIGN!
THANK YOU...
THANK YOU FUKU-CHAN...
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OH AND YOU GUYS, TOO.
ARE YOU JUST SAYING THAT BECAUSE WE'RE RIGHT HERE?
OH,
THAT REMINDS ME, HOW DID FUKU-CHAN'S CHECKS GO?
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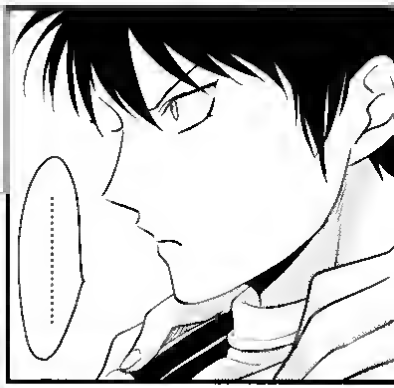
COME ON YOU TWO~! WHY CAN'T YOU JUST GET ALONG~!?
WHAAAT~!? YOU SHOULD HAVE FINISHED THE SHAMPOO, CUT, AND SPA CHECK IN ONE GO~!!

WHATEVER.
JUST HURRY UP AND GET IT OVER WITH.
AS IF THAT'S EVER GONNA HAPPEN.
WOAH, SOMEONE'S GOT AN ATTITUDE. I'LL SING YOU A LULLABY AND PUT YOU TO SLEEP.
IF YOU'RE WORSE THAN RIKU, I'LL FAIL YOU IN A HEARTBEAT.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WHAT?
NOW YOU'RE ALL SULKY BECAUSE HE GOT MAD AT YOU?
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TCH!
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I'M LOWERING YOU.
IS THIS COMFORTABLE?
MHM
YOUR HAIR IS SOFTER THAT I THOUGHT.
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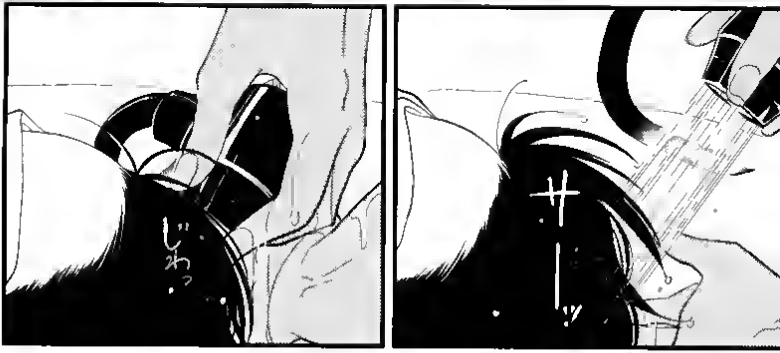
BY THE WAY, WHY DID YOU GROW OUT SIDE-BURNS LIKE THIS?
SHUT UUUP.
JUST HURRY UP AND START AL-READY...
YEAH, YEAH.



IT'S NOT TOO HOT, IS IT?
NO.

IS THE POWER LEVEL ALRIGHT?

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HEY?
ZZZ
…YOU'RE ASLEEP, HUH.

I GUESS HE WAS MORE DROWSY THAN HE LOOKED.
HEY, DO YOU WANT ME TO APPLY SOME TREAT-MENT?
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HEY, SHOU-KUN?

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I...!
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FELL ASLEEP ...!!
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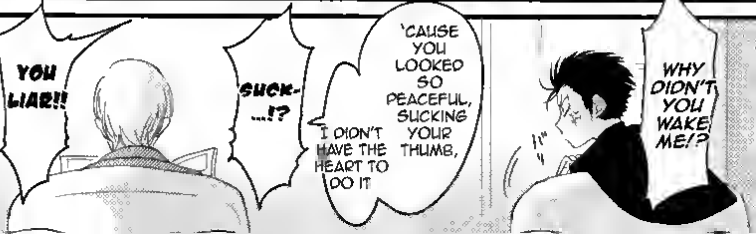
YEAH, YOU SLEPT TOO MUCH.


YOU LIAR!!
SUCK-...!?
I DIDN'T HAVE THE HEART TO DO IT
'CAUSE YOU LOOKED SO PEACEFUL, SUCKING YOUR THUMB,
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WHY DIDN'T YOU WAKE ME!?

ANYWAY, WHAT'S WITH YOU FALLING ASLEEP WHEN YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE IN CHARGE OF THE CHECKS?
IF YOU DIDN'T WANT TO DO IT, THEN YOU SHOULD HAVE SAID SO FROM THE START.
...THAT'S...
SO, AS AN APOLOGY TO ME, WILL YOU LET ME STAY OVER AT YOUR PLACE AGAIN?
I MISSED THE LAST TRAIN.
GSHHH

STOP CALLING ME THAT.
TCH...!
GROSS...
YEAH, WELL YOU CAN'T.
WHY? MIKADO-SAN CALLS YOU SHOU-KUN.
YOU SHOULD HAVE JUST LEFT ME AND GONE HOME.
WHEN I IMAGINED SHOU-KUN WAKING UP ALL ALONE IN THAT PITCH BLACK SALON, I JUST COULDN'T BRING MYSELF TO LEAVE YOU.
STOOOP!
SHOU-KUN
SHOU-KUN
SHOU-KUN
OH, NOW I REALLY WANT TO KEEP DOING IT.
OHH...IT'S RAINING PRETTY HARD.
HEY, DID YOU PUT SOMETHING IN MY HAIR?
SNIFF
?

SHOU-KICHI-KUN
CAN I USE ONE OF THESE SPARE UMBRELLAS?
YEAH.
LOOKS LIKE WE HAPPEN TO MEET HERE AGAIN.
KIHARA-SAN.
THANK YOU FOR YESTERDAY.

HAPPEN TO"?
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OH YEAH, HIM.
HE'S A REGULAR CUSTOMER
<SFX: WHISPER>
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THANK YOU FOR ALWAYS DOING BUSINESS WITH US
SHOU-KICHI-KUN
AH, YES?
HE'S JUST GONNA IGNORE ME?

IF YOU HAVE TIME, LET'S GO OUT TO EAT AGAIN
WHERE WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO?
.....
UM, LET ME SEE
OKAY.
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<NOD>
ALRIGHT THEN
I'LL SEND YOU AN EMAIL
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...WHAT?
YOU'RE FRIENDS WITH YOUR CUSTOMER?
SUCH GOOD FRIENDS THAT YOU GO OUT TO EAT TOGETHER?
SO YOU HAVE SOMEONE LIKE THAT?
SIGH...
BUT WHY ME...?
I DON'T PARTICULARLY HAVE ANYTHING EXCITING TO TALK ABOUT...
SHUT UUUP WE JUST HAPPEN TO GET OFF FROM WORK AT THE SAME TIME AND ALWAYS BUMP INTO EACH OTHER ON THE WAY HOME
AND THAT'S THE REASON FOR INVITING YOU EVERY TIME?
HE'S MY CUSTOMER, SO I CAN'T SAY NO
I GUESS HE'S ONE OF THE FEW THAT YOU HAVE
BE QUIET
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BY THE WAY, WHY DO WE ONLY HAVE ONE UMBRELLA?
LET ME GET UNDER IT TOO
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THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THAT
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YOU'RE ALWAYS SO ANTISOCIAL SO IT MAKES NO SENSE FOR HIM TO DO THAT IT LOOKS TO ME THAT HE PROBABLY CARES ABOUT YOU?
HMM.
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BE CAREFUL.
HUH?

HE COMMUTES BY TRAIN, DOESN'T HE? BUT THE LAST TRAIN HAS ALREADY LEFT A LONG TIME AGO...
SO...?
WOULDN'T BE SO WET IF ALL HE HAD TO DO WAS WALK FROM THE NEAREST STATION.
HIS FEET
SO.
HE WAS PROBABLY WAITING HERE THIS WHOLE TIME UNTIL YOU CAME OUT OF THE SALON.

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YOU'RE SO DENSE...
OH, NEVER MIND, LET'S GO.
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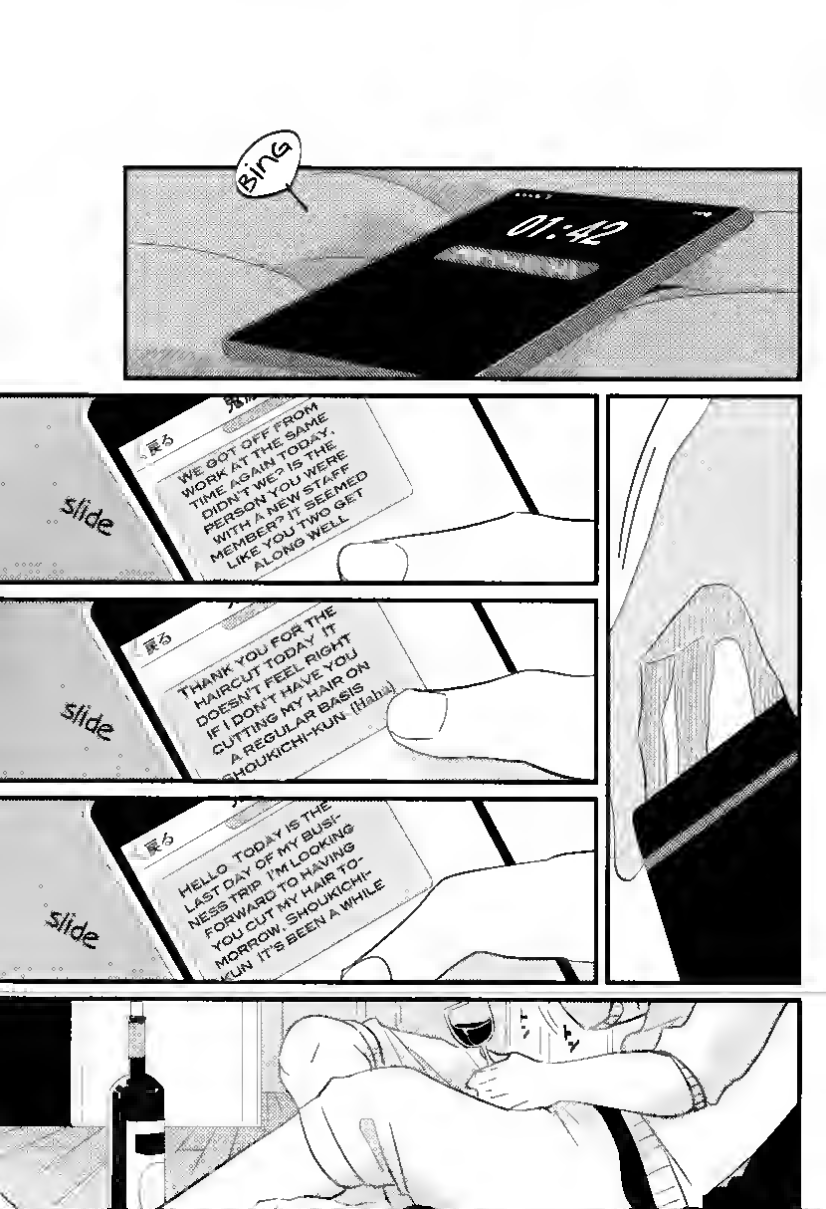
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戻る
We got off from work at the same time again today. Didn't we? Is the person you were with a new staff member? It seemed like you two get along well
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戻る
Thank you for the haircut today. It doesn't feel right if I don't have you cutting my hair on a regular basis Shoukichi-kun. (Haha)
slide
戻る
Hello. Today is the last day of my business trip. I'm looking forward to having you cut my hair tomorrow, Shoukichi-kun. It's been a while
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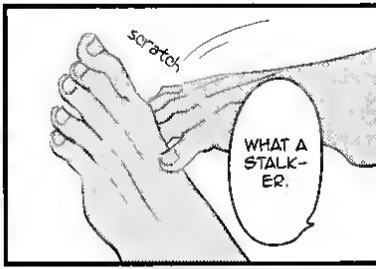
KIHARA...
THAT GUY
SENDS HIM EMAILS EVERYDAY, HUH.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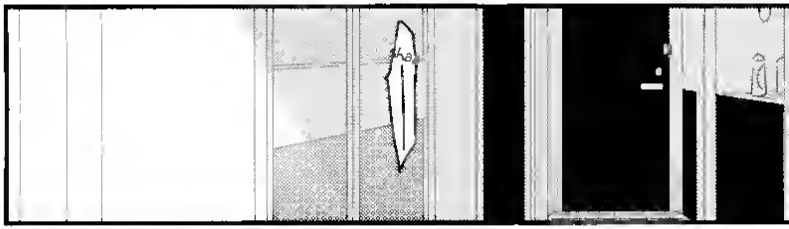
WHAT A STALK-ER.



I SEE...

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<SFX. CHIRP CHIRP>
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NGH

<PUNCH>
OWWW!!!
SOME STRANGE THING IS TOUCHING ME!!
SO WHAAAT? EVERY MAN GETS MORNING WOOD.
AND THAT'S WHY I SAID DON'T GET CLOSE TO ME!
WHAT
ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY?

ABOUT KIHARA SAN
HM?
OHH
I MEAN THAT, I BET HE WANTS TO FUCK YOU
ANY-WAYS
HOW COME YOU KNOW THAT STUFF ABOUT KIHARA-SAN?
NO MATTER HOW YOU LOOK AT IT, HE'S A SHADY GUY.
TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT HIM
I?
YOU'RE TOO DENSE, SHOU-KUUUUN
LIKE HELL HE DOES!!

I REMEMBER EVERYTHING ABOUT ALL OF OUR CUSTOMERS
EVERY SINGLE ONE WHO CAME TO SEE US WITH AN APPOINTMENT
WHAT?
EVEN MY CUSTOMERS?
YEAH SO KIHARA-SAN IS NO EXCEPTION
NO WAY...
What the hell memory do you
I LIKE TO GIVE MYSELF THAT KIND OF A CHALLENGE
OH... YOUR PHONE IS RINGING
<SFX BZZZ>
A PRANK CALL?
LOOKS LIKE THE NUMBER IT IS UNKNOWN
HELLO?
HELLO?
IT'S THAT STALKER.
I HONESTLY DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GONNA HAPPEN TO YOU IF YOU'RE NOT CAREFUL.

THAT'S RIDICULOUS...
HE'S JUST MAKING FUN OF ME
I'M GOING TO RAISE YOUR CHAIR
UM, EXCUSE ME...
AH
YES?
EXCUSE ME!
UMM...
THE STYLIST...
COULD I GET A DIFFERENT STYLIST?
HUH?
COULD YOU JUST
GET ME A DIFFERENT STYLIST
UM..
BECAUSE, WELL,

YOU'RE VERY UN-FRIENDLY.
YOU BARELY TALK AND

IT'S ALRIGHT
RIKU-CHAN HELPED ME OUT.
SHOU-KUN
I'M SORRY, I—
MIKADO-SAN
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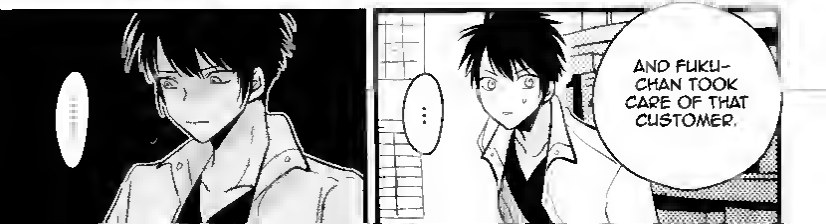
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AND FUKU-CHAN TOOK CARE OF THAT CUSTOMER.

OKAY
I'M SORRY ABOUT TODAY
ALRIGHT THEN, WE'RE OFF TO OUR COURSE NOW, OKAY?

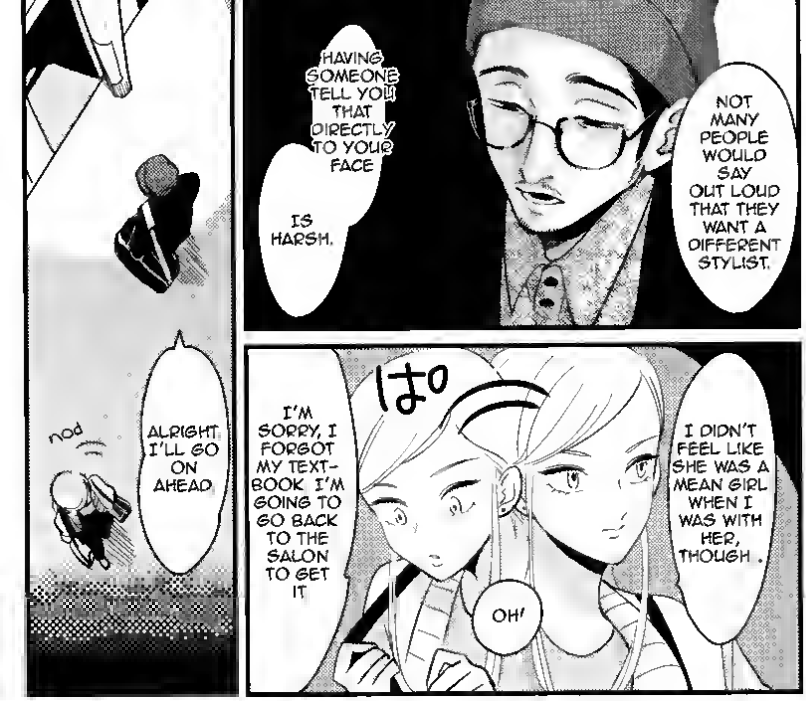
SO THIS IS THE END OF TODAY'S REPORT.
FIRST THING NEXT WEEK, FUKU-CHAN HAS AN APPOINTMENT WITH A CUSTOMER COMING IN FOR A HAIR SET EARLY IN THE MORNING. DON'T FORGET ABOUT IT!

there there

ALRIGHT

I'M GONNA GO GRAB SOMETHING TO EAT
WHAT TIME DO YOU WANT TO DO THE SPA CHECK?
OH-
OKAY
IN 30 MINUTES

YEAH
SHOU-KICHI-SAN IS TRYING TO ENDURE IT, ISN'T HE?


NOT MANY PEOPLE WOULD SAY OUT LOUD THAT THEY WANT A DIFFERENT STYLIST.
HAVING SOMEONE TELL YOU THAT DIRECTLY TO YOUR FACE
IS HARSH.
I DIDN'T FEEL LIKE SHE WAS A MEAN GIRL WHEN I WAS WITH HER, THOUGH.
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OH!
I'M SORRY, I FORGOT MY TEXT-BOOK. I'M GOING TO GO BACK TO THE SALON TO GET IT
ALRIGHT. I'LL GO ON AHEAD.
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I'VE BEEN GETTING THIS CRAP SINCE YESTERDAY...
AND WHEN I PICK UP, THEY DON'T SAY ANYTHING
TCH!
A PRANK CALL AGAIN...
<FLINCH>
URGH...!
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bzzzz
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Unknown
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UNFRIENDLY...
AND IT SEEMS LIKE YOU HAVE A HARD TIME FINDING A JOB
YOU'RE TOO ENGROSSED IN YOUR WORK THAT YOU DON'T PAY ANY ATTENTION TO YOUR SURROUNDINGS
YOU'RE TOO FORWARD WHEN YOU GIVE YOUR OPINION
WORKING IN A SALON ISN'T FOR YOU.
AND YOU'RE NOT EVEN THAT MUCH BETTER THAN ANYONE ELSE
THAT'S THE WORST THING YOU CAN DO IN CUSTOMER SERVICE
FIRST OF ALL, YOU NEVER SMILE

NOT FIT TO BE A SALON STYLIST
YOU'RE
I KNEW IT, I'M NOT FIT..
I.
.....
I REALLY WANT A HARD-WORKING, SKILLED STAFF TO OPEN A SALON WITH ME!!
I MEAN, PLEASE COME ~~!!
COME WORK FOR ME!
SHOU-KUN,
AL-RIGHT...
<SFX: GRIT>
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MIKADO-SAN
MAOE SURE THAT I DIDN'T CAUSE A SCENE BY BEING STUB-BORN...

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<SHOCK>
Urk!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
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SURE
WE GOT NO WORK TOMORROW, SO I WANT TO GO HOME EARLY TODAY.
LOOK, I'M JUST GONNA GET THIS OVER WITH AS QUICK AS POSSIBLE
<SFX: SPLASH>
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...SHOU-KUN
WHAT?
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TO-TODAY..
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YOU'RE NOT EVEN GONNA THANK ME FOR TODAY, ARE YOU?
<SPLOT>
Waah!
THAT'S COLD!
TELL ME WHEN YOU'RE GONNA PUT THAT STUFF ON...!
OW OW OW! STOP SCREWING AROUND! I'M GONNA FAIL YOU, YOU IDIOT!!
<SFX RUB RUB RUB>

THERE WILL ALWAYS BE PEOPLE WHO WILL FIND YOU BORING IF YOU DON'T KEEP THEM ENTERTAINED.
AND PEOPLE WHO WILL THINK YOU'RE ANNOYING IF YOU TALK TO THEM.
YOU CAN'T PLEASE EVERYBODY.
DON'T PAY ANY ATTENTION TO THEM
I'M TRYING TO CHEER YOU UP RIGHT NOW.
YOU'RE ALWAYS TELLING ME EXACTLY THE OPPOSITE
WHAT THE HELL
.....
HA, HOW LAME.
SERVES YOU RIGHT.
THINGS LIKE, I TALK TOO MUCH AND DON'T CONCENTRATE ON MY WORK.
WHAT DID THEY SAY?
AT THE SALON I WORKED AT BEFORE, I GOT PLENTY OF CUSTOMER COMPLAINTS, YOU KNOW.

SHOU-KUN, YOU WERE REALLY GOOD IN BOTH PRACTICAL SKILLS AND TEST SKILLS WHEN YOU WERE IN SCHOOL, RIGHT?
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.....
SO I ALWAYS WANT TO KNOW EVERYTHING ABOUT MY CUSTOMERS IN DETAIL.
IF I DON'T FIND OUT MY CUSTOMER'S LIFE-STYLE DURING OUR CONVERSATION, I CAN'T OFFER A HAIRSTYLE FOR THEM.
YOU'RE ONE OF THOSE GUYS.
NO MATTER HOW GOOD YOU ARE IN SCHOOL, WHEN IT COMES TO THE ACTUAL JOB,
THERE ARE GUYS WHO DISCOVER THEY CAN'T DEAL WITH THE REAL THING.
.....
NOT REALLY.
BUT

YOU DO HAVE CUSTOMERS
NOT MANY, BUT STILL
THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO ASK FOR YOU
THEY LIKE YOUR SKILLS, THAT'S WHY THEY COME TO SEE YOU!
IT'S PRETTY OBVIOUS. YOU HAVE GOOD CUSTOMERS
AND I HOPE YOU GAIN MORE LITTLE BY LITTLE FROM NOW ON.
WELL?
WHAT DO YOU THINK?
DO I PASS?
YEAH.
AH...
WHATEVER...
OH,
YOU GOT SHY.
I DIDN'T GET SHY!

HEY,
HOW ABOUT WE OPEN A SALON TOGETHER. YOU AND I!
I THINK TOGETHER WE MAKE UP WHAT WE LACK INDIVIDUALLY.
I FEEL LIKE IT WOULD GO WELL.
HUH?
I DON'T WANT TO OPEN A SALON WITH YOU.
THAT'S HARSH. DID YOU FORGET?
HUH?
I'VE ADORED YOU EVER SINCE THAT TIME, SHOU-KUN.
WHAT?

WHAT IS IT?
THIS AGAIN ....
That surprised me
O-
OH...
AN UNKNOWN NUMBER HAS BEEN CALLING ME OVER AND OVER AGAIN SINCE YESTERDAY.
UNKNOWN NUMBER? AGAIN?
bzzz
bzzz
WAH!
AH!
WAIT...!
HELLO?
<SNATCH>
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HELLO?

IS THIS KIHARA-SAN?
BE CARE-FUL
SHOU-KUN
HEY, THAT'S MY PHONE!
THEY HUNG UP!

THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE.
AND SUSPECTING A REGULAR CUSTOMER OF OURS IS JUST

THERE'S NO WAY A MAN WOULD STALK ANOTHER MAN.
IT'S DISGUSTING.
HE HAS NO PROOF

ANYWAYS...
I'VE ADORED YOU
EVER SINCE THAT TIME, SHOU-KUN
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chirp
……
...WHAT THE HELL WAS THAT ALL ABOUT!?
SOME SORT OF CRAZY TALK?
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HE WAS JOKING.
YEAH.
JUST MAKING FUN OF ME
DAMN IT, THAT REALLY PISSES ME OFF, THOUGH...
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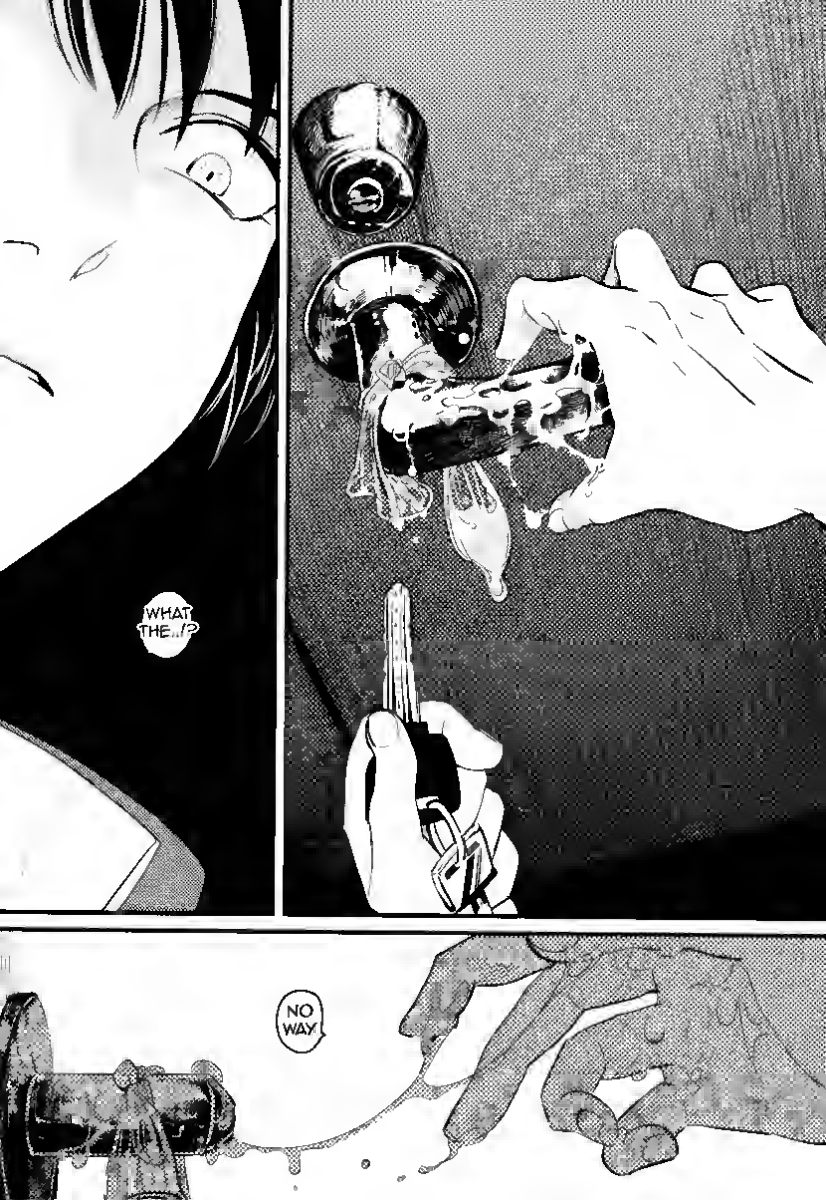
WHAT THE...!?
NO WAY

WHAT IS THIS...?
GAR-BAGE...?
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A PRANK ...?
WHAT...!?
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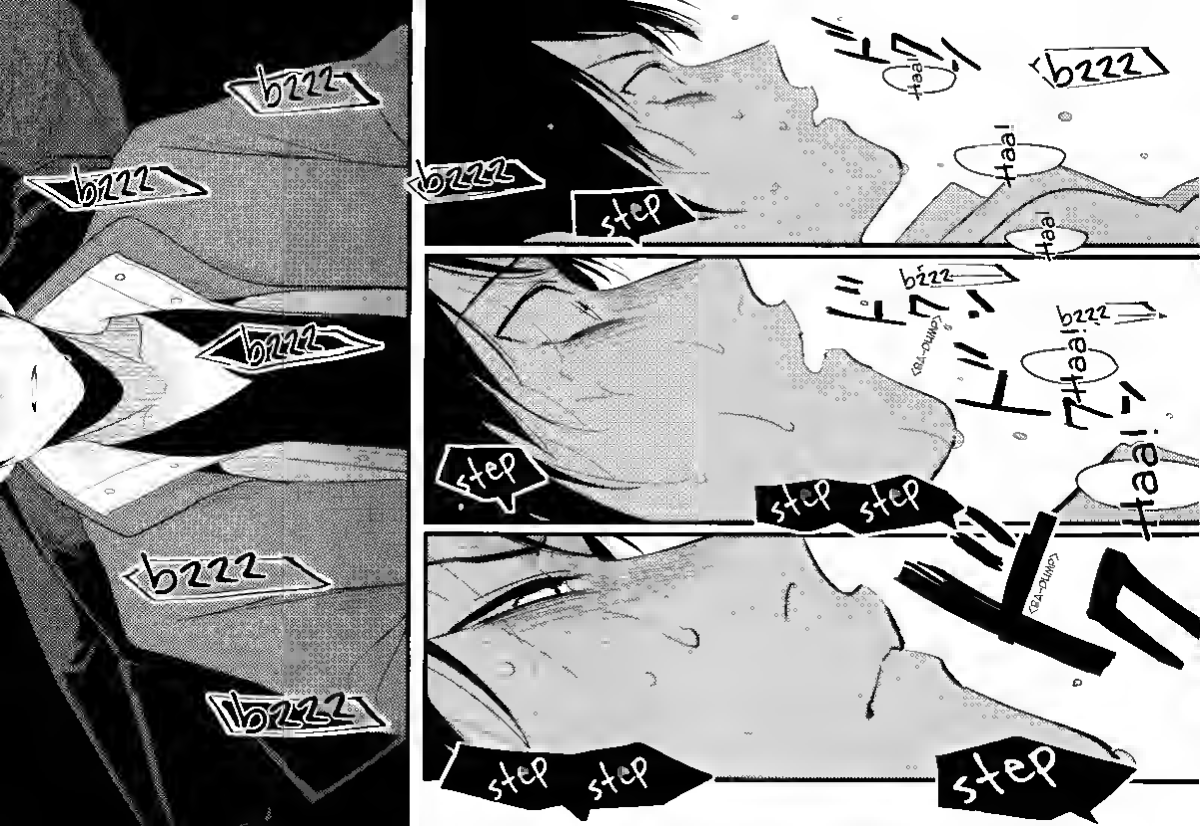
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Haa!
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Haa!
step
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step

WOAH!
YOU SURPRISED ME!
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phew
<SFX: BA-DUMP>
GODDAMN IT!
YOU SURPRISED ME!
huh?
WHAAAT?
I FORGOT TO GET THE SALON KEY FROM YOU.
REMEMBER? I HAVE THAT APPOINTMENT EARLY IN THE MORNING THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW.
NO, YOU TURNED AROUND SO SUDDENLY, I WAS THE ONE SURPRISED.
WHAT'S WRONG?
.....

<GRAB>
I'LL GO
OPEN THE DOOR IN THE MORNING, SO...
AH.
NO,
.....
.....

HEY!
H-
<GRAB>
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ごし
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<SFX: WIPE>
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IT'S DIRTY.
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AH…
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<THROW?
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SHOULD I STAY OVER?
N-
NO, THAT'S OKAY
I'M ALRIGHT
DON'T ACT
<SFX SHAKE>
HE'S GOT TOO MUCH PRIDE~
SO TOUGH.
EVEN I WON'T DO ANY WEIRD SEXUAL THINGS TO YOU AFTER SOMETHING LIKE THIS!

.....
CONTACT ME IF SOME-THING HAP-PENS.
...OKAY THEN.
AND MAKE SURE YOU WASH YOUR HANDS PROP-ERLY~
OH
DAMN IT.
SURE! LATER THENNN.
HEY! YOU TOO!

I HAVE TO THANK HIM.
AGAIN.
<SFX SPLASH>

WILL THEY EVER GIVE UP ALREADY!!!
UGHHH, COME ONNN!
bzzz
bzzz
HOW DO I BLOCK UNKNOWN CALLS ANYWAY?
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BING
HM?

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KIHARA-SAN
IT CAN'T BE KIHARA-SAN...
NO...
.....
.....
BUT...
.....
<SFX: TAP TAP>

AND SO~~~
IT WAS SO AWK-WARD~~~~
SURE~~~
BUT, REALLY, SALON STYLISTS SURE ARE BUSY, AREN'T THEY? IT MUST BE EXHAUSTING WORKING 6 DAYS A WEEK WITH ONLY 1 DAY OFF AND GOING TO EXTRA COURSES AND MAGAZINE SHOOTS AND STUFF LIKE THAT.
OHH, BUT YOU HAVE MORE TIME NOW THAN YOU DID AT YOUR OLD SALON, RIGHT?
NO, NOT REALLY, I GUESS? IT'S ABOUT THE SAME AS NOW
WHAAAT? REALLY?
ARE YOU LISTEN-ING?
YEAH
SORRY
THANK YOU. YOU REALLY HELPED ME OUT.
MHMM.
THAT'S A LIE, THOUGH
SORRY,
I GOTTA MAKE A CALL.

WHAT?
DON'T "WHAT" ME~~ YOU'RE SO COLD.
I CALLED BE-CAUSE I WAS WOR-RIED.
THAT WAS UNNECES-SARY
3F
bu nagggg
bu nagggg
bu nagggg

WHAT DID YOU DO TODAY?
PRACTICED.
PRACTICED? OKAY, THAT'S IT SHOU-KUN, YOU REALLY ARE TOO DAMN SERIOUS
SHUT UUUP.

IS HE AT THE TRAIN STATION?
YEAH.
THAT'S THE SOUND OF THE TRAIN.
...LATER, THEN.
...I KNOW.
EVEN IF YOU GET CALLS FROM HIM, IGNORE THEM.
YEAH.

.....
.ARE YOU OKAY?

...GEEZ, ISN'T HE KIND OF NOSY?
.....
.....
KIHARA
THANK YOU! I'M VERY HAP- I DID NOT THINK YOU WOULD RE-LY (-) HAVE WORK ALL DAY SO OUR MEET-ING WILL HAVE TO BE LATE. IS THAT ALRI-HT?
KIHARA
SURE I'M FREE TUE-DAY NIGHT.
KIHARA
I'm sorry for sending you this em-- I want to no meet and talk. Would that be okay?
Why such a formal email anyway?
IT WOULD BE MUCH FASTER TO JUST ASK HIM DIRECTLY
SUS-PECT-ING HIM MAKES ME FEEL KIND OF BAD
.....
SHOU-KICHI-KUN
SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING

AHHH
THIS KIND OF FANCY RESTAURANT ATMOSPHERE AND
EATING WHILE SITING ACROSS FROM SOMEBODY AND
TALKING TO THEM WHEN WE HAVE NOTHING IN COMMON TO TALK ABOUT
I'M NOT USED TO THIS...
SHOUKICHI-KUN, OUT OF THE RED OR WHITE WINE
YOU LIKE THE WHITE ONE MORE, DON'T YOU?
"KIHARA-SAN, ARE YOU STALKING ME?"
IS NOT A SIMPLE THING I CAN JUST DO...
BESIDES, OUTRIGHT ASKING HIM SOMETHING LIKE

I DIDN'T MEAN TO MAKE IT COME OUT THAT WAY THOUGH...
I'M ABLE TO KEEP THE CONVERSATION GOING WHEN I ARGUE WITH THAT GUY...
EVEN WHEN YOU'RE OUT DRINKING, YOU THINK ABOUT WORK, DON'T YOU?
BECAUSE RED WINE CAN STAIN TEETH,
SO IT WON'T BE GOOD FOR WORK THE NEXT DAY...
I LIKE BOTH, BUT
YES, IF I HAD TO CHOOSE, I THINK I'D CHOOSE THE WHITE ONE,
I'M RATHER PARTICULAR ABOUT THE FINAL RESULT OF MY APPEARANCE...
I SEE
I'M SOMEONE WHO REGULARLY GOES TO BEAUTY SALONS BUT
I'M REALLY GLAD I MET YOU
HMM?
SHOUKICHI-KUN,
YOU TRULY IMPRESSED ME.
I ALSO REALLY LIKED IT THAT YOU WERE SO QUIET.
I ONLY TOLD YOU VERY BRIEF INSTRUCTIONS ABOUT HOW I WOULD LIKE MY HAIR TO BE DONE, BUT
YOU QUICKLY GAVE ME THE EXACT HAIRSTYLE THAT I'VE ALWAYS WANTED...
AND DURING THAT TIME, I HAPPENED TO MEET YOU, SHOUKICHI-KUN.
I WENT FROM ONE SALON TO ANOTHER, TRYING TO FIND THE PERFECT STYLIST FOR ME.
BUT IT WOULD BE RUDE OF ME TO ORDER THE BEAUTY STYLIST AROUND, SO

I THINK HE'S FLATTERING ME A LITTLE TOO MUCH
OH, BUT THERE'S ALSO ANOTHER REASON WHY I'M GLAD I MET YOU.
I SEE.
I'M SORRY I INTRUDED INTO YOUR PERSONAL LIFE
WHY IS HE SAYING THAT ONLY NOW...?
INVITING YOU OUT TO EAT EVERY TIME WE HAPPENED TO MEET EACH OTHER ON OUR WAY BACK HOME FROM WORK
LIKE SENDING YOU FLOWERS ON YOUR BIRTHDAY,
BEING SO FORWARD BY SAYING THAT I WANTED US TO EMAIL EACH OTHER
IT MUST HAVE ANNOYED YOU
YES, IT ANNOYED ME... BUT I CAN'T TELL HIM THAT OF COURSE
NOT AT ALL.....
I'M GLAD!
happy
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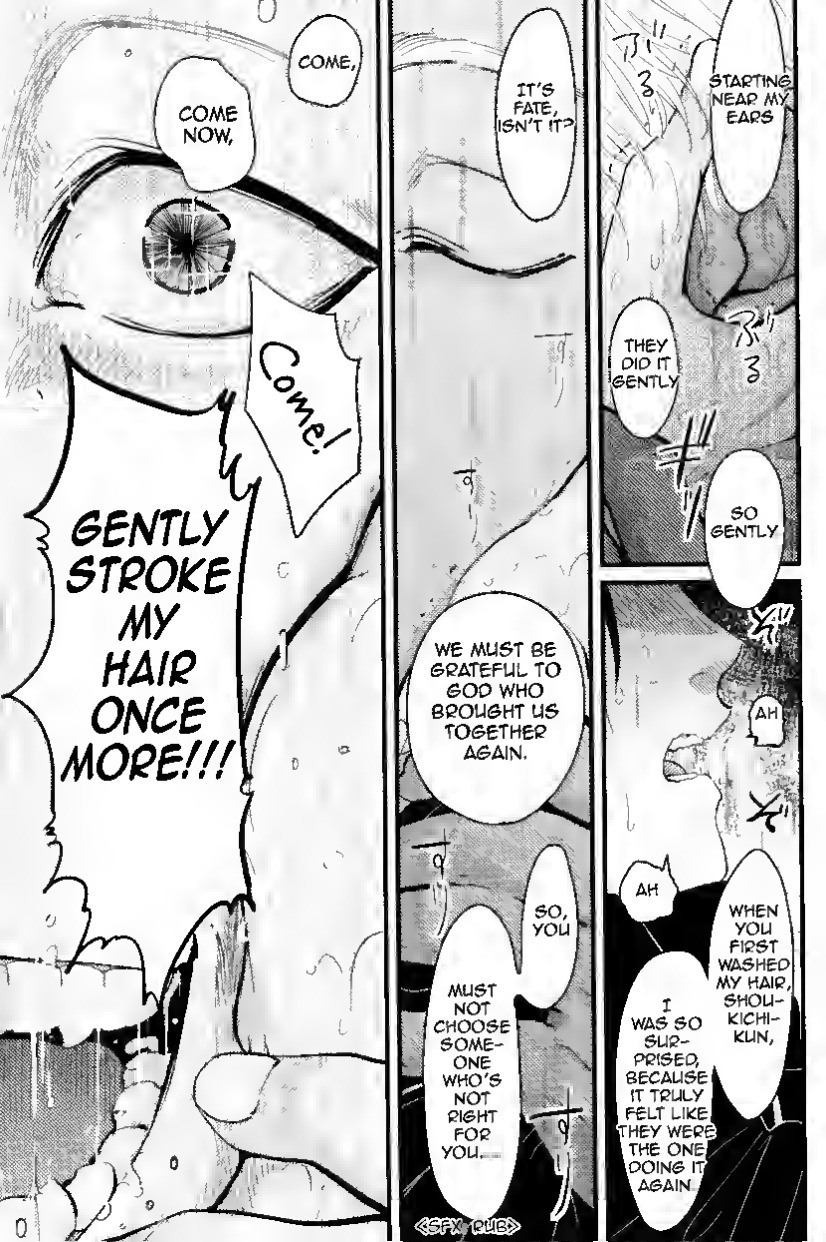
WOULD YOU LIKE TO WALK WITH ME PART OF THE WAY?
WE'RE GOING THE SAME DIRECTION.
I DON'T, BUT
I'LL BE FINE I DON'T LIVE TOO FAR FROM HERE
TOKYO
IT'S RAINING...
DO YOU HAVE AN UMBRELLA?
KSHAAA
.....
THANK YOU VERY MUCH
.....
.....
HE'S NICE, BUT
WE DON'T HAVE ANYTHING TO TALK ABOUT.
I'M PROBABLY WRONG ABOUT HIM
I HAVE NO PROOF THAT IT'S HIM
WAIT A MINUTE...!
KIHARA-SAN'S HOUSE ISN'T THIS WAY...
IT'S THE OTHER WAY
KSHAAA
.....

HUH!?
WHA-
WHAT!?
I THINK YOU HAVE REALIZED HOW I FEEL ABOUT YOU, RIGHT?
I'VE TRIED SO HARD NOT TO SCARE YOU OFF
I WAS SO CARE-FUL
I TOOK IT SLOW
I THOUGHT THAT WAS THE RIGHT WAY TO DO IT
OW...
<SQUEEZE>
<SFX DRAG>

HOWEVER, YOU DIDN'T TURN ME DOWN WHEN I INVITED YOU TODAY, SO
MY FEELINGS MUST HAVE REACHED YOU, DIDN'T THEY?
DIDN'T THEY?
HM
WHAT'RE YOU
SHOU-KICHI-KUN
YOU
REMIND ME OF MY LOST LOVER.
THEY WERE HARD-WORKING JUST LIKE YOU AND
ALSO HAD THOSE BIG, BRIGHT EYES
<SLISH>
BUT THEN, ALL OF A SUDDEN SOME STRANGE INSECT SHOWED UP AND
I DON'T KNOW WHAT HE TOLD YOU, BUT
INSECT?
WHAT?
WHA-
WHAT'RE YOU
YOU BEGAN TO DISTANCE YOUR-SELF FROM ME SO
OF COURSE I PANICKED
TALKING ABOUT

URGH
<GRAB>
EVERY-THING ABOUT YOU REMINDS ME OF THEM
THEY OFTEN WASHED MY HAIR
CARE-FULLY,
SO CARE-FULLY.
YES,
JUST LIKE THIS
<SFX: RUB>
<SFX: RUB>


COME,
COME NOW,
Come!
GENTLY STROKE MY HAIR ONCE MORE!!!
IT'S FATE, ISN'T IT?
WE MUST BE GRATEFUL TO GOD WHO BROUGHT US TOGETHER AGAIN.
SO, YOU
MUST NOT CHOOSE SOME-ONE WHO'S NOT RIGHT FOR YOU.
<SFX: PUFF>
STARTING NEAR MY EARS
THEY DID IT GENTLY
SO GENTLY
AH
AH
WHEN YOU FIRST WASHED MY HAIR, SHOU-KICHI-KUN,
I WAS SO SUR-PRISED, BECAUSE IT TRULY FELT LIKE THEY WERE THE ONE DOING IT AGAIN.

I-
I KNEW IT...
YOU'RE THE STALKER...
Y-
Y-
<PUSH>
YOU MAKE ME SICK...!!!
.....HUH?
.....
.....
YOU
YOU'RE GOING TO TREAT ME LIKE A STALKER?
ME?

YOU!
YOU...
MORE!
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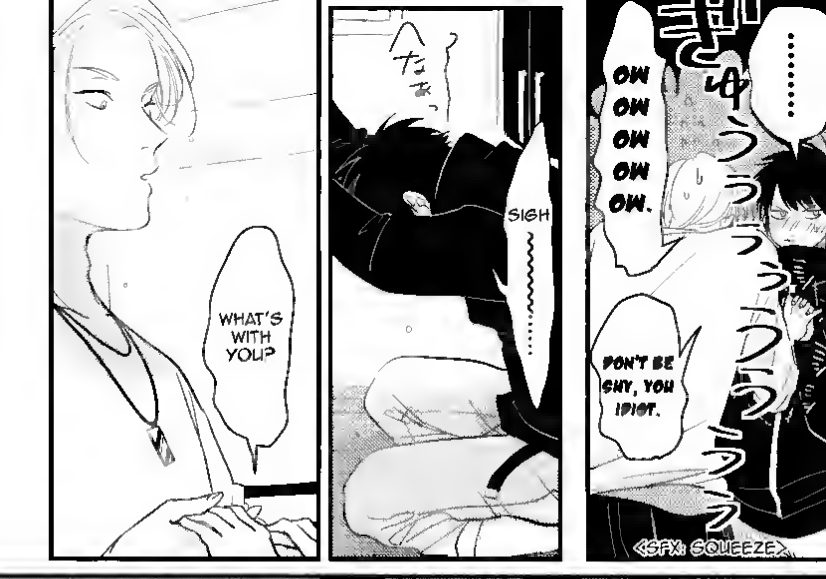
WHA-
T..?
I DION'T THINK HE WAS GONNA GO THIS FAR.
TCH!
THAT WAS CLOSE...
AH!
OOF!
FROM NOW ON,
IF I FIND OUT THAT YOU TRIED TO CONTACT HIM OR GET CLOSE TO HIM,
I'LL UPLOAD YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION AND THIS PERVERTED PICTURE ON A SOCIAL NETWORKING SITE,
AND I'LL SEND THIS PICTURE TO THAT BANK YOU WORK AT.
ALL THE CUSTOMERS' INFORMATION THAT'S REGISTERED AT OUR SALON IS CORRECT.

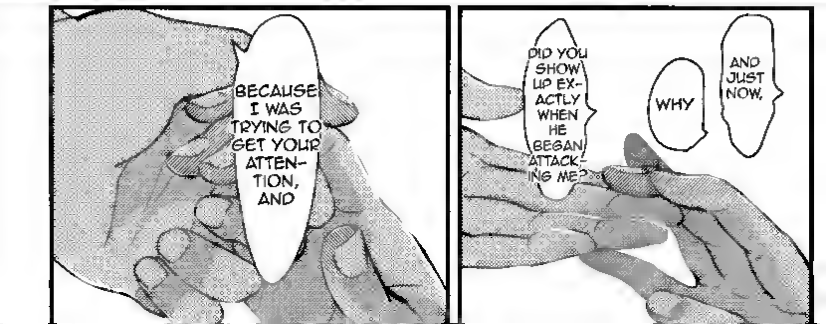
AH...!
SHOU
I'M SURE YOU AT LEAST GET THAT YOU NEED TO GET OUT OF HERE RIGHT NOW IF YOU DON'T WANNA GET IN TROUBLE!!
USE YOUR HEAD!
YOU..
URGH!

I...
HAA
<SFX: SPLASH>
HAA
HAA
I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE IT WAS REALLY HIM
I HAD NO PROOF, SO
I...
WHY ARE YOU GIVING ME EXCUSES
YOU'RE NOT THE ONE AT FAULT HERE
AH, YEAH.
GIVE ME THE KEY.
.....
<SFX: CREAK>

ARE YOU OKAY?
……
……
<SFX: RUB>
THE PLACE HE TOUCHED ME FEELS DISGUSTING...
CAN I BE THAT SOMEONE ELSE?
……
OKAY.
BUT IF YOU TOUCH SOMEONE ELSE, IT SHOULD REPLACE THAT FEELING
THE PLACE WHERE THAT PERSON TOUCHED YOU IS ALWAYS GOING TO FEEL DISGUSTING.
WHEN SOMEONE YOU DON'T LIKE TOUCHES YOU SOMEWHERE
LET ME SEE


WHAT'S WITH YOU?
SIGH
DON'T BE SHY, YOU IDIOT.
OW OW OW OW OW.
<SFX: SQUEEZE>

OR SOME CRAZY THING LIKE THAT?
YOU ADORED ME
AND THEN, WHY DID YOU SUDDENLY SAY
BECAME ALL NICE TO ME AFTER?
AND WHY DID YOU HELP ME OUT AND
DO THOSE PERVERTED THINGS TO ME?
WHY DID YOU GET SO PISSED OFF AT ME AND


BECAUSE I WAS TRYING TO GET YOUR ATTENTION, AND
DID YOU SHOW UP EXACTLY WHEN HE BEGAN ATTACKING ME?
WHY
AND JUST NOW,

IF I WERE JUST AN AVERAGE,
NICE GUY
I DIDN'T THINK YOU'D NOTICE ME
.....
SHOU-KUN
WE'VE MET BEFORE.
DO YOU REALLY NOT REMEMBER?
WHAT?
THE SALON WHERE YOU DID YOUR PRACTICUM WHILE YOU WERE STILL A STUDENT
WAS THE PLACE I USED TO WORK AT.
!

EVEN THOUGH IT WAS ALREADY THE LAST DAY, YOU STILL DIDN'T FIT IN WITH THE SCENE
AT THAT TIME, I WAS AWAY FROM THE SALON FOR TRAINING. WE WERE TOGETHER FOR ONLY ONE DAY, THE LAST DAY OF YOUR PRACTICUM
SENPAI
WHY IS THAT GUY THE ONLY ONE NOT WITH EVERY-ONE ELSE?
DID HE MESS UP SOME-WHERE?
OH~~ ACTUALLY
DURING THE MEET-ING AT THE END OF HIS FIRST DAY HERE, HE TOLD EVERYONE ABOUT THE AREAS THAT HE THOUGHT NEEDED IMPROVE-MENT IN THIS SALON.
HE SAID~~ AND THE MANAGER WAS VERY ANGRY AT HIM
"DON'T DO POINT-LESS WHISPER-ING IN THE BACK ROOM WHEN THERE ARE STILL CUSTOM-ERS LEFT TO TAKE CARE OF"
"DON'T CRAM YOUR SCHEDULE WITH AP-POINT-MENTS IF YOU KNOW THAT YOU CAN'T GET TO THEM ALL."
"IF YOU SEE A STYLIST THAT HAS THEIR HANDS FULL, THE ASSIS-TANTS WHO HAVE TIME TO HELP NEED TO GO AND HELP EVEN IF THEY'RE NOT DIRECTLY WORKING UNDER THAT STYLIST."
"IF YOU'RE FREE YOU NEED TO DO CLEANING OR SOME-THING IT'S NOT GOOD TO MAKE THE 1ST YEARS DO ALL THE CHORES."

WHEN PEOPLE HAVE THEIR FAULTS POINTED OUT, THEY IMMEDIATELY BECOME AGGRESSIVE. THEY TRY TO FIND OTHERS TO BACK THEM UP AND BUILD A DEFENSIVE WALL AROUND THEMSELVES
BECAUSE THEY DON'T WANT TO ADMIT THE TRUTH.
FIRST OF ALL, HE'S NOT PERFECT. HE HIMSELF IS NOT EVEN FRIENDLY, SO HE SHOULD TALK...
WHAT'RE THEY TALKING ABOUT?
YES, BUT HE DOESN'T WORK FOR OUR SALON. HE'S JUST A PRACTICUM STUDENT WHO NEEDS TO KNOW HIS PLACE AND NOT SAY THINGS LIKE THAT.
HE'S RIGHT, ISN'T HE?
THE SMART WAY OF DOING THINGS IN HIS POSITION WOULD BE TO READ THE ATMOSPHERE AND BEHAVE WELL.
WE AGREE WITH EVERYTHING HE SAID.
NO MATTER HOW
THANK YOU...
HERE. THIS IS YOUR REPORT CARD.
RIGHT THE PERSON IS.
.....THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK.
SAY SOMETHING WRONG?
DID I

ISN'T THIS
SOMETHING YOU NEED TO GIVE TO YOUR SCHOOL?
You dropped it
...I DON'T NEED
THAT KIND OF A GRADE...
AHA,
I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU GOT SUCH LOW MARKS. THAT'S TOO BAD.
WHAT, WAS OUR SALON HERE YOUR FIRST CHOICE?
WHAT A STUBBORN, PROUD BRAT
shiver
...YOUR TEARS...
.....

...WHAT?
ARE BEAU-TIFUL
<WIPE>
THAT'S RIGHT... BUT WHEN I BECOME INDE-PENDENT
I'LL HIRE YOU.
AHH...I ONLY WATCHED YOU FOR A DAY, BUT I CAN ALREADY SEE IT'S GONNA BE HARD FOR SOMEONE AS UNFRIENDLY AS YOU TO FIND A JOB. AND EVEN IF YOU DO FIND A JOB, THE PEOPLE THERE AREN'T GOING TO SUGARCOAT THEIR WORDS LIKE THEY DID WHEN YOU WERE IN SCHOOL, SO YOU'RE GONNA GET CRUSHED.
I feel sorry for you
WHA-
HUH?
WHY...?
BECAUSE WHAT YOU ARGUE IS TRUE
HERE

.....
.....
.....

YOU REMEMBERED?
.....!!
YOUR HAIRSTYLE IS COMPLETELY DIFFERENT NOW, SO...
HAIRSTYLES CHANGE! YOU NEED TO REMEMBER PEOPLE'S FACES!
HOW ARE YOU IN CUSTOMER SERVICE IF YOU CAN'T EVEN DO THAT?
SHUT UUUP! ANYWAYS, YOU DIDN'T BECOME INDEPENDENT.
WELL IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO DO IN 5 OR 6 YEARS!
BUT I KNEW THAT AFTER YOU LEFT OUR PLACE, YOU GOT A JOB AT A MAJOR CHAIN SALON, AND THEN YOU GOT HIRED BY SOME STRANGE OLD MAN AND WENT TO WORK AT A PRIVATE SALON.
SO I QUICKLY SLIPPED INTO THAT SAME PLACE TOO
DON'T CALL MIKADO-SAN "SOME STRANGE OLD MAN"...
Oh, shit!
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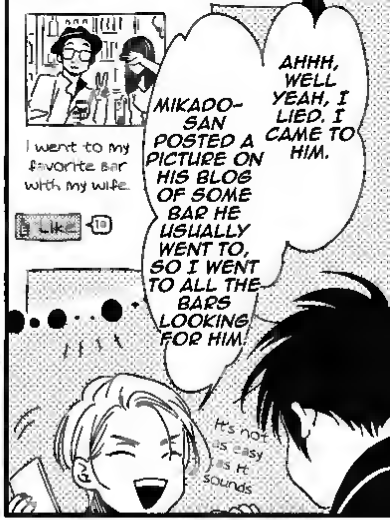
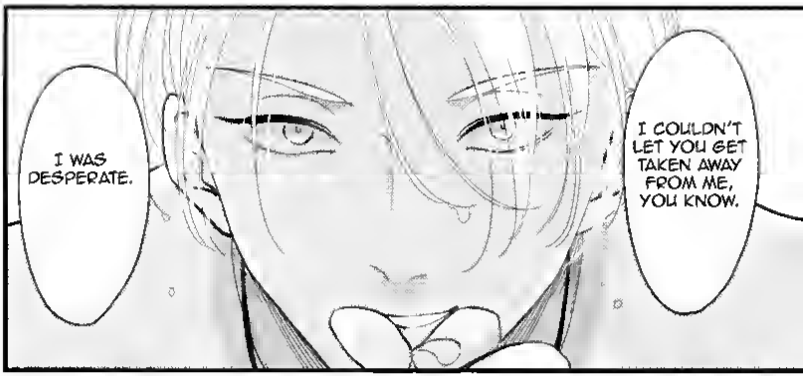
HM?
BUT WAIT..?
I THOUGHT YOU SAID YOU HAPPENED TO MEET HIM WHEN YOU WERE OUT DRINKING...

<DISGUSTED>
HEY--! DON'T LOOK SO GROSSED OUT--!


I went to my favorite bar with my wife.
Like 10
MIKADO-SAN POSTED A PICTURE ON HIS BLOG OF SOME BAR HE USUALLY WENT TO, SO I WENT TO ALL THE BARS LOOKING FOR HIM.
AHHH, WELL YEAH, I LIED. I CAME TO HIM.
It's not as easy as it sounds


I WAS DESPERATE.
I COULDN'T LET YOU GET TAKEN AWAY FROM ME, YOU KNOW.

WHAT'S WITH THAT?
ARE YOU DOING THAT CRAZY TALK AGAIN, OR SOME-THING'.?

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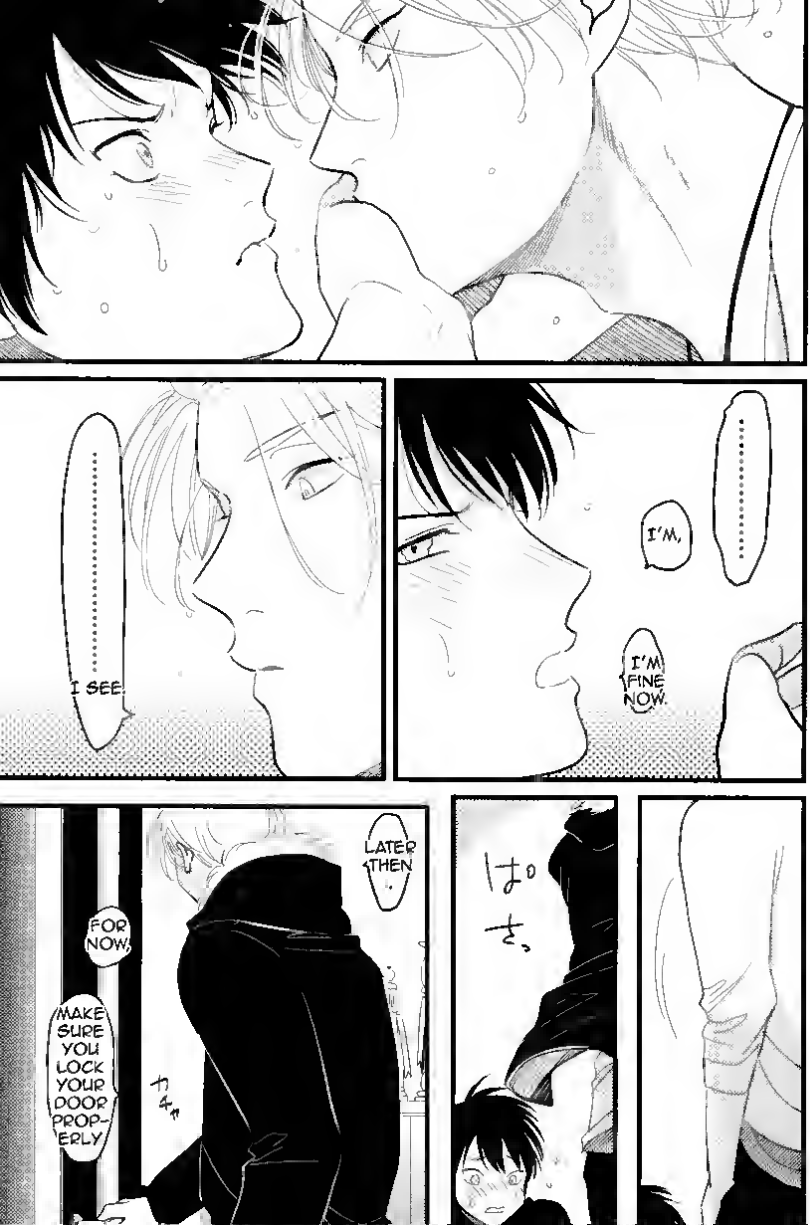
……
SAY SOME-THING…
WHERE ELSE?
DID HE TOUCH YOU?
MY SHOUL-DERS…
WHERE ELSE?
ANY-WHERE ELSE?
AND MY NECK…
MY BACK
WHERE ELSE?
A-AND
<SFX RUSTLE>

IT'S BECOMING A PAIN, SO I'LL JUST DO THIS I GUESS
SHOU-KUN...
.....
.....
.....
YOU'RE NOT RUNNING AWAY!


I'M,
I'M FINE NOW.
I SEE.
LATER THEN.
FOR NOW,
MAKE SURE YOU LOCK YOUR DOOR PROPERLY
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clack

WAIT...!
GULP

Haa
Ngh
WE'RE...
HAHA
NOT THINKING STRAIGHT, ARE WE...?

#5
IT HURTS!
IT HURTS
<SFX: FULL>
stroke
<SFX: FLINCH>
<SFX: PRESS>

URGH!
ARE YOU READY?
OW
OW
OWW
I CAN'T
I CAN'T ...
STOP
STOP, DAMN IT..!

HEYYY
WHAT ARE YOU RUNNING AWAY FOR??
SIGH...
YOUR BODY IS SO STIFF...
LET GO OF ME!
LE-
OKAY?
DON'T RUN AWAY.
COME ON.
<SFX: SQUEEZE>
I'M NOT CUTE!
YOU'RE SO CUTE.
I'M NOT SCARED.
ARE YOU SCARED?

IT WILL BE OKAY
DON'T RUN AWAY
DON'T RUN AWAY
NGH!
NGH
URGH!
<SFX "THRUST">
DON'T RESIST
DON'T...
DON'T GET SO CLOSE TO ME
IT DOESN'T HURT
DOES IT HURT?
Haa
Haa
Haa
Haa
Haa

AH,
I KNEW IT WOULD.
I'M PRETTY BIG, SO...
But I think you already knew that
IT HURTS A LITTLE
.....
SORRY.
ぎぬぬぬ
fuu
SORRY
fuu
fuu
fuu
fuu
I'M SORRY
<TURNS>
DAMN IT.
I'LL STOP SCREWING AROUND
HEY...
IT WILL BE OKAY
すりる
I'LL GO SLOW.
OKAY?

Nah
NGH
FUU!
FUU...!
FUU!
<SFX: RUB>
Ah!
N-NO!
DON'T!
AH
AH
AH!
<SFX: KISS>
Fuu!
Nah!
AH
AH

Ah!
Urgh
Ah!
DAMN IT.
<SFX: SLIDES OUT>
Ngh!
Ngh!
Ngh!
Ngh!
Ugh
DON'T PULL YOUR HIPS AWAY
Ngh
Fuu
Ngh
Fuu
Eek
Urgh
Haa
Haa!
<SFX: SLIDES IN>

Haa
IT'S
ALL
Haa
IN.
Haa
TWO MEN DOING SOMETHING LIKE THIS
MAKES NO SENSE, BUT
I LIKE IT.
IT FEELS GOOD.
AHH, I FINALLY
HAVE YOU.
IT FEELS REAL.

HEY, SHOU-KUN
YOU KNOW,
I LOVE YOU...

LEARNING HOW TO WIN PEOPLE OVER?
ARE YOU
UGH... MY ASS HURTS.
THIS IS THE WORST.
NEVER MIND...
AHAHA
WHAT'S THAT?
ポン
I FEEL GREAT!
I WAS REALLY WORRIED THAT YOU LIKED MIKADO-SAN.
!
I THOUGHT THAT'S HOW YOU SEE HIM.
AND MAYBE YOU WANT TO HOLD HIM AND WANT TO BE HELD BY HIM.
I MEAN, YOU'RE SO DEVOTED TO HIM.
HA!

Somehow, I'm really pissed off now!
SOMETIMES CUSTOMERS ASK IF HE'S GAY.
THEY ASK MIKADO-SAN, I MEAN.
BECAUSE HE'S MARRIED, SO THERE'S NO CHANCE WITH HIM.
I KNOW, RIGHT?
YOU'RE SUCH AN IDIOT!!!
LIKE HELL!!!
HE HATED PEOPLE ASKING HIM THAT, SO
AT HIS PREVIOUS JOB, HE ALWAYS WORE HIS RING WHEN HE WASN'T SHAMPOOING.
AFTER HE BECAME INDEPENDENT, PRACTICALLY THE ONLY CUSTOMERS HE HAD WERE PEOPLE WHO ALREADY KNEW THAT HE WAS MARRIED, SO I GUESS THAT'S WHY HE TOOK IT OFF NOW.
YEAH,
THERE ARE PEOPLE LIKE THAT.
GIRLS WHO THINK THAT GUYS WHO WORK AT BEAUTY SALONS SWING THAT WAY.
I DON'T
SEE HIM LIKE THAT.
I JUST
RESPECT HIM. THAT'S ALL.

I'M SORRY ABOUT WHAT I SAID.
I KNOW YOU DON'T SEE HIM LIKE THAT.
I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE.
I WAS JUST JEALOUS.
.....
YOU'RE SERIOUSLY
SUCH AN EMBARRASSING GUY.

MORNING MEETING
HE'S NOT ALLOWED IN HERE ANYMORE!
And that's final!
OKAY.
HE SAW ME WHEN I WAS WITH YOU THAT TIME,
GOT THE WRONG IDEA, AND WENT A LITTLE....
...RIGHT?
.....
I'M SORRY
FOR CAUSING TROUBLE.
YOU DIDN'T CAUSE ANY TROUBLE
MORE IMPORTANTLY, ARE YOU ALRIGHT, SHOU-KUN?
I ALWAYS THOUGHT THAT HE WAS A LITTLE TOO CLOSE TO YOU FOR A CUSTOMER, BUT...

DON'T ACT SO TOUGH~~
I WASN'T SHAKING AND I COULD STAND BY MYSELF.
WHAAAT, YOU WERE SHAKING AND COULDN'T EVEN STAND BY YOURSELF, THOUGH.
DON'T FLATTER YOURSELF, YOU IDIOT.
I SAVED HIM.
IT'S OKAY.
Their fighting doesn't seem so serious.
Huh?
somehow...
OKAY.
RIKU-CHAN, PUT HIM ON THE CUSTOMER BLACKLIST.
I SEE.
IT'S A SHAME, BUT EVEN IF HE MAKES AN APPOINTMENT, WE WILL NEED TO TURN HIM DOWN
MIKADO-SAN
click
.....
OH, OKAYYY
GOOD LUCK.
IT LOOKS LIKE MY CUSTOMER CAME TO GET HER HAIR SET DONE, SO I'M GONNA GO.
OH
EXCUSE ME,
slide

I KNOW HOW MUCH YOU SAID THAT YOU DIDN'T WANT TO HAVE TO DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT, SO
I'M REALLY SORRY...
WHAT!?
COME ON--DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT ANYMORE. PROTECTING MY STAFF IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING TO ME!
RIKU!
DID YOU COMPLETELY FALL FOR HIM AFTER HE SAVED YOU?
BY THE WAY, IT LOOKS LIKE YOU AND FUKU-CHAN ARE GETTING ALONG A LITTLE NOW. THAT MAKES ME HAPPY~
YOU KIND OF GOT ATTACHED TO HIM QUICKLY, DIDN'T YOU?
I DIDN'T GET ATTACHED.
SO,
WHAT KIND OF HARASSMENT DID THAT STALKER DO?
PRETENDED IT WAS A COINCIDENCE WHENEVER HE SAW YOU, MEANWHILE PLOTTING HIS ATTACK, AND
HE DID THINGS LIKE CALL YOU OVER AND OVER USING AN UNKNOWN NUMBER,
HUNG A CONDOM FULL OF SEMEN ON YOUR DOORKNOB, RIGHT?
!
I WAS ALSO HARASSED LIKE THAT BEFORE.
IT'S A COMMON PATTERN FOR STALKERS, ISN'T IT?
THEN WHEN I BEGAN FOLLOWING HIM AROUND AND REVEALED TO HIM THAT I'M A GUY, HE FINALLY STOPPED.
RIKU-CHAN, YOU'RE SO STRONG...
SO IT'S A COMMON PATTERN?
THAT SURPRISES ME

ALRIGHT THEN, SHOULD I MAKE IT A LITTLE BIT LIGHTER THAN LAST TIME?
OKAY!
I WANT A COOL ASH BROWN! BUT I DON'T WANT IT TO BE TOO DARK.
NEXT, IS THE HAIR COLOR, RIGHT? WHAT COLOR SHOULD I GIVE YOU?

I'LL DECIDE AFTER I LOOK AT THE INVENTORY IN THE BOOTH!
WHAT'S THE RECIPE?

OH
I THINK THERE'S ANOTHER CUSTOMER COMING NEXT. GO GET READY FOR THAT...

SHE HAS A DIGITAL PERM BOB, SO APPLY THE COLOR AND KEEP IT ON FOR AN APPROPRIATE TIME, SO THAT IT DOESN'T SINK IN TOO DEEP.
OK.
AND ALSO ADD 10 BLUE BASE CONTROL COLOR.
SHE WANTS HER ENTIRE HAIR TO BE ONE COLOR, SO WE'RE GONNA USE JUST THIS.

THERE'S STILL TIME, SO I'LL HELP YOU HERE.

SHUT UPPP.
I'M NOT CUTE.
SO CUTE.
YOU'RE SO CUTE WHEN YOU'RE OBEDIENT LIKE THIS.
...OH, HHH.

GOOD WORK.
GOOD WORK.
GOOD WORK.
THIS IS THE END OF THE REPORT.
ALRIGHT THEN, MODEL FOR MY HAIRCUT CHECK TODAY, SHOU-KUN
.OKAY.
I'LL GO WET MY HAIR
HUH? I'LL SHAM-POO YOUR HAIR
WHAAT- YEAH! YEAH! I GET IT.
IF YOU MAKE EVEN A LITTLE MISTAKE, I'LL FAIL YOU.
LET ME TELL YOU SOME-THING - I'M VERY STRICT ABOUT HAIR-CUTS, SO
I'M NOT BEING SHY, YOU IDIOT.
THAT'S OKAY. I'LL DO IT MYSELF
WHAT ARE YOU BEING ALL SHY FOR?
YOU'RE SURE IN A GOOD MOOD. PLEASE DO YOUR BEST DURING YOUR CHECK.
AM I?
OH, AND THANKS.
ガチャ
YOU CALLED SHOUKICHI-SAN A LITTLE TOO MUCH USING AN UN-KNOWN NUMBER, YOU KNOW.
SO YOUR PASS-CODE IS SHOUKICHI-SAN'S BIRTHDAY, HUH? YOU'RE SO PRE-DICTABLE.
HM?

UH-
OH-..
PERMISSION IS
LOOKING WITHOUT

NOT NICE
YOU REALLY THOUGHT IT ALL OUT, DION'T YOU?

NO, WE'RE
NOT.
I'M SO GLAD YOU TWO ARE GETTING ALONG NOW~
YOU MADE KIHARA-SAN OUT TO BE THE BAD-GUY AND
CAME TO THE RESCUE PRETENDING TO BE A KNIGHT IN SHINING ARMOR?
YOU JUST REALLY WANTED TO WIN SHOU-KICHI-SAN OVER AND MAKE HIM YOURS DIDN'T YOU?
AND SO? DID YOU SUCCEED?
HOW LONG HAVE YOU KNOWN?

I DIDN'T KNOW THE REASON WHY YOU LIED, SO AT FIRST I JUST THOUGHT THERE WAS SOMETHING OFF ABOUT YOU, AND THEN
YOU LIVE WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE FROM HERE, DON'T YOU, FUKU-SUKE-SAN?
AND THEN, THE PART ABOUT THE LAST TRAIN
THAT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE YOUR FIRST TIME MEETING HIM, SO I THOUGHT, HOW DID YOU KNOW THAT?
PROBABLY SINCE DAY ONE
WHEN YOU SAID HIS SKILLS WERE BETTER THAN YOURS
WHEN I WAS ON MY WAY BACK HERE, I SAW YOU RUNNING TOWARDS THE APARTMENTS NEARBY AND
TWO DAYS AGO, I FORGOT SOMETHING AFTER LEAVING THE SALON, SO I WENT BACK TO GET IT
JUST LIKE A WOMAN
YOU HAVE GOOD INTUITION.
AND READ MY EMAILS TOO?
AND THAT IS QUITE AN EXTREME WAY TO GO AFTER SOMEBODY, ISN'T IT?
I MEAN, ABOUT THAT GIRL WHO ASKED TO SWITCH STYLISTS TWO DAYS AGO - SHE USED TO BE YOUR CUSTOMER!
YOU SAW ME?
IT'S REALLY SCARY WHEN YOU FIND SOMETHING LIKE THAT ON YOUR DOOR, YOU KNOW.
IT HAPPENED TO ME TOO.

YOU PICKED FIGHTS WITH HIM TO LEAVE A STRONG IMPRESSION ON HIM.
YOU USED OTHERS TO HURT HIM AND THEN CAME TO HIS SIDE WHEN HE WAS FEELING DOWN.
I BET THAT MADE YOU LOOK SO GOOD IN HIS EYES!
NO, I'M IMPRESSED. YOU'RE AMAZING. I TRULY RESPECT HOW MUCH PASSION YOU HAVE FOR HIM TO BE able TO DO ALL OF THAT SO CALCULATINGLY.
<SFX: CLAP CLAP>
BUT HE SAVED ME, SO
I'M GRATEFUL FOR THAT.
.....RIKU,
YOU SURE TALK A LOT...
I JUST...
I WILL DO ANYTHING TO GET WHAT I WANT.

EVEN IF I HAVE TO FALSELY ACCUSE SOMEONE OR HURT SOMEONE A LITTLE BEFORE THEY BECOME MINE I DON'T GIVE A DAMN, I'LL DO IT
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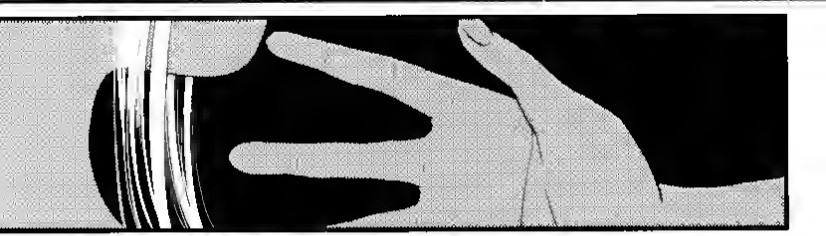
KIHAR
AND OF COURSE I WILL ELIMINATE THINGS THAT STAND IN MY WAY
KIHARA

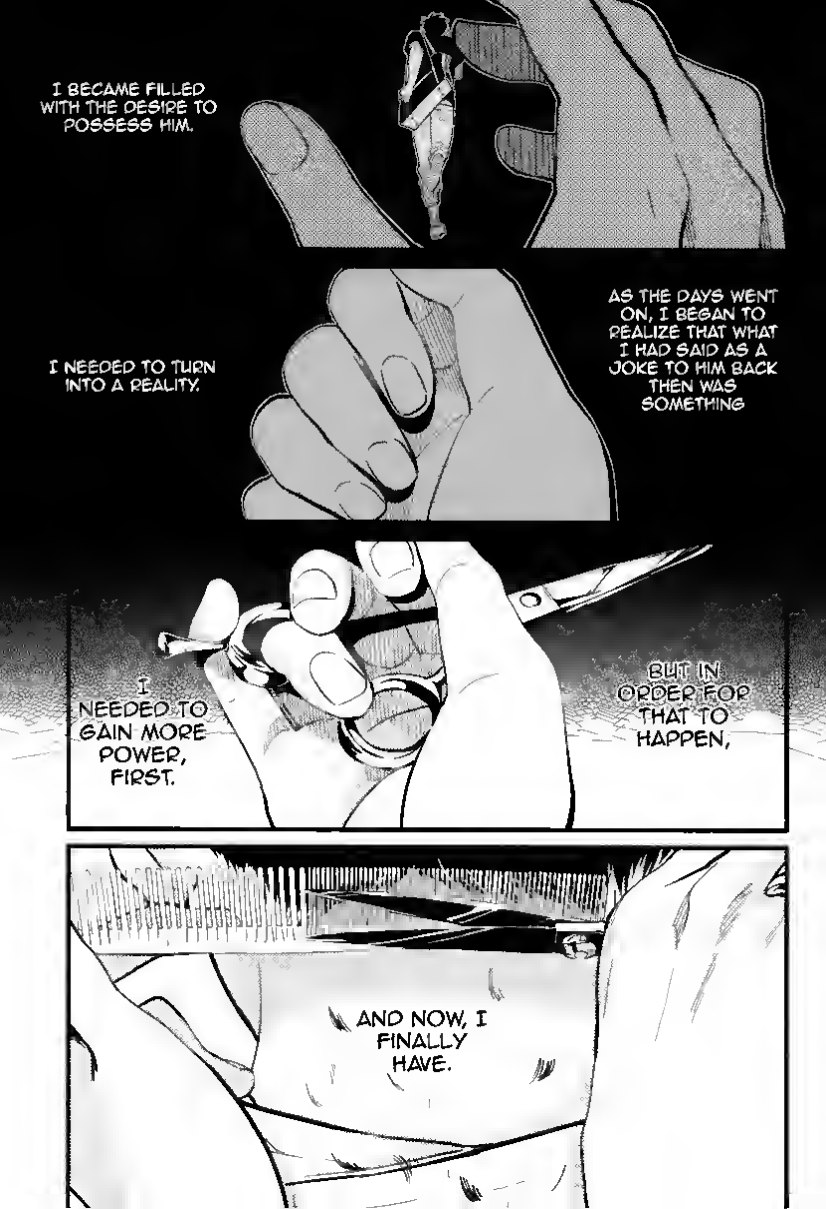


OHH
ARE YOU THINKING ABOUT HOW TO KEEP ME QUIET?

I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'LL BELIEVE ME, BUT I RATHER LIKE PSYCHOPATHIC PEOPLE LIKE YOU, FUKUSUKE-SAN.
AS LONG AS IT DOESN'T AFFECT ME, I DON'T PAY ATTENTION TO IT, BUT I DON'T WANT TO HAVE ANY PROBLEMS WORKING HERE.
IT'S OKAY. DON'T WORRY... I'M NOT GOING TO SAY ANYTHING, I PROMISE.
I COULD HAVE STARTED THIS CONVERSATION AND RECORDED IT TO HAVE DEFINITE PROOF, BUT I DION'T DO THAT
AT ALL.
PSYCHOPATH...
.....
....BESIDES, I DON'T WANT TO TELL SHOUKICHI-SAN THE TRUTH AND BREAK HIS HEART, OKAY?
<RELEASE>

LET ME TELL YOU SOMETHING, JUST IN CASE. KIHARA-SAN REALLY DID TRY TO PUT THE MOVES ON SHOU-KUN.
YEAH, I BELIEVE THAT.
.....
MAKE SURE YOU HONESTLY TELL THAT TO FUKU-CHAN, OKAY?
...OKAY.
YOU ARE MY ACCOMPLICE THEN, SINCE YOU SAW ME AT THAT TIME. I WILL LET YOU SLIDE, AS LONG AS YOU DON'T TRY TO GET IN MY WAY BEFORE HE IS COMPLETELY MINE. BUT *ONLY* IF YOU DON'T GET IN MY WAY
WELL, I'M NOT GOING TO GET IN YOUR WAY,
BUT I'M NOT GOING TO HELP YOU, EITHER.

OR BECAUSE I FELT SORRY FOR HIM. IT WASN'T ANYTHING LIKE THAT.
AT THAT TIME, THE REASON I TALKED TO HIM WAS NOT BECAUSE I WANTED TO CHEER HIM UP
I JUST REALLY WANTED TO SEE THE LOOK ON A GUY'S FACE WHO WAS WRONGED.
IT THRILLED ME.
I FELL IN LOVE WITH HIS TEARS.


I BECAME FILLED WITH THE DESIRE TO POSSESS HIM.
AS THE DAYS WENT ON, I BEGAN TO REALIZE THAT WHAT I HAD SAID AS A JOKE TO HIM BACK THEN WAS SOMETHING
I NEEDED TO TURN INTO A REALITY.
I NEEDED TO GAIN MORE POWER, FIRST.
BUT IN ORDER FOR THAT TO HAPPEN,
AND NOW, I FINALLY HAVE.

YOU KNOW, I LIKE COLOR-ING HAIR MORE THAN CUTTING.
ALL OF THAT SEEMS SIMPLE TO DO, BUT IS ACTUALLY VERY STRUC-TURED
LOOK-ING AT THE HAIR TEX-TURE,
THINK-ING ABOUT THE RECIPE,
AND APPLY-ING THE CHEMI-CALS
YOUR WEAK SPOT IS THE BACK OF YOUR NECK, HUH.
I'M NOT GOOD AT TRIMMING THE BACK OF THE HEAD.
SHUT UUUUP DON'T TOUCH ME...
CAN I PUT SOME GEL IN?
OKAY.
The water soluble stuff

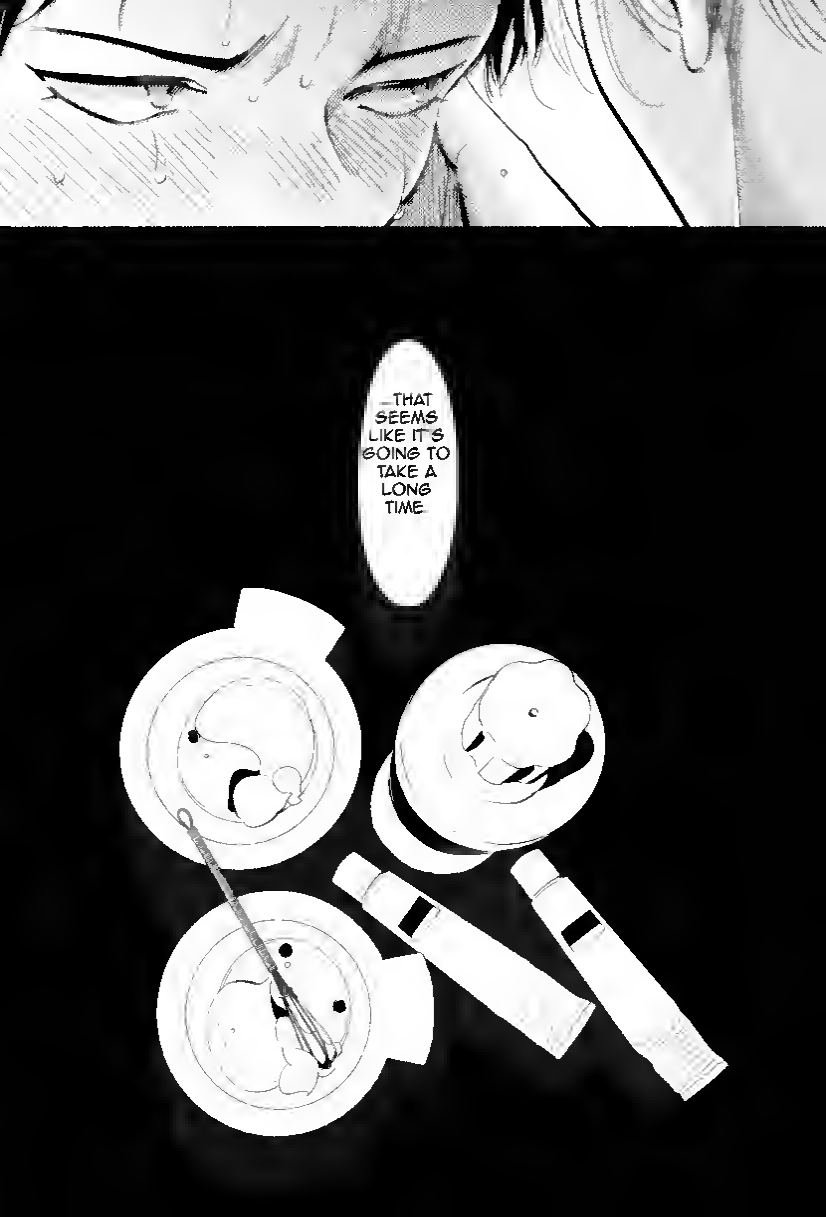
HAVING IT COME OUT BEAUTIFULLY AFTER BEING DYED BY MY HAND WITH EXACTLY THE COLOR I IMAGINED, GIVES ME A HIGH.
IT'S VERY SATISFYING.

I LIKE CUTTING HAIR MORE
I SEE
SHOU-KUN
THA-THANK YOU
FOR SAVING ME AND STUFF
UM.
UM,
OH
YEAH.
OH.
WHAAAAT? THAT'S NOT CUTEEEE.
I- I MEAN, MIKADO-SAN TOLD ME TO TELL YOU THIS, SO...
NOW I'M A LITTLE DE-PRESSED
I CONCEN-TRATED AND DIDN'T EVEN TALK MUCH. SIGH I DON'T KNOW ANYMORE.
sad
YOU COULD HAVE DONE IT IN A SHORTER AMOUNT OF TIME
YEAH
BUT I GUESS IT'S OKAY
AND YOU DIDN'T THIN IT DOWN ENOUGH
HMM
HMM
HMM
I PREFER NEAT, SHORT HAIR, YOU KNOW
SO WHAT DO YOU THINK? YOUR JAWLINE STANDS OUT MORE THAN BEFORE
ANY-WAYS,
And bangs up

YOU IDIOT.
DON'T POUT ABOUT IT.
OHH. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I SAW YOU SMILE.
WOW, THAT WAS CUTE. SMILE SOME MORE.
HUH?
NO!
<SFX: CLICK CLICK>
COME ON, SMILE! YOU'RE ALWAYS SO COLD, EVEN WHEN WE'RE DOING IT-!
Shit. Never mind. just cry instead...
My heart...
DELETE THOSE PICTURES, YOU BALDY!
BUT I FINALLY SAW YOUR CUTE SMILE! THAT WOULD BE SUCH A WASTE.
I'M GONNA SEND THE PICTURE TO YOU SO LOOK AT IT.
I DON'T NEED IT!
COME ON, LOOK AT IT.
BING
I don't need it
WAIT A MINUTE.
I CHANGED MY NUMBER, BUT
DELETE

DON'T TELL ME YOU LOOKED AT MY PHONE WITHOUT PERMIS-SION~~
I DIDN'T TELL YOU, DID I? HOW DO YOU KNOW IT?
MIKADO-SAN... NO, I GUESS IT WAS RIKU WHO TOLD ME.
NO, I DIDN'T
WHAT?
I'll put you in now
OH.
I THOUGHT YOU LOOKED WITHOUT PERMIS-SION.

LET'S OPEN A SALON TOGETHER SOMEDAY, OKAY?


...THAT SEEMS LIKE IT'S GOING TO TAKE A LONG TIME.

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IT'S JUST THAT SHORT HAIR TAKES MORE EFFORT TO STYLE AND MAINTAIN, SO THAT MEANS I'LL NOW GET TO TOUCH HIM MORE, YOU KNOW?
NO, NOT REALLY.
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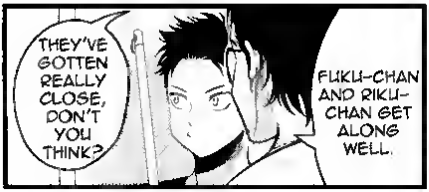
UGHH, YOU'RE DISGUSTING.
FUKU-SUKE-SAN, YOU PREFER THE SHORT HAIRED ONES, DON'T YOU?



BESIDES, IT'S NOT LIKE SHOUKICHI-SAN WANTS TO HAVE YOU STYLE HIS HAIR, SO I THINK YOUR PLAN IS POINTLESS. I MEAN, HE HIDES THAT HE WORKS AS A SALON STYLIST AND GOES TO DIFFERENT SALONS TO GET HIS HAIR CUT
UGH, WHY CAN'T THAT GUY EVER STOP THINK-ING ABOUT WORK.
HE JUST DOESN'T KNOW HOW TO RELAX WHY DON'T YOU TEACH HIM?

NO, DON'T COME.
SHOU-KUN, CAN I COME TO YOUR PLACE AGAIN TODAY?
AFTER WORK
ARE YOU ANGRY ABOUT THAT?
EVERY TIME YOU COME TO STAY OVER, I HAVE TO LEND YOU MY CLOTHES. IT'S SUCH A PAIN.
WHAT ARE YOU ALL SHY NOW FOR?
I'M NOT SHY.
ANGRY...
...I'M NOT
YOU CAN STILL CATCH THE LAST TRAIN. JUST GO HOME.
HUH? DON'T TALK CRAZY, YOU IDIOT.
WE SHOULD JUST LIVE TOGETHER ALREADY.
.....
self-con-scious
DON'T GET THE WRONG IDEA. I'M NOT GONNA DO ANY-THING.
Are you self-conscious or something?
WHY CAN'T I STAY OVER?
ARE YOU SCARED OF ME?

HEY!
DON'T GET CARRIED AWAY!
YOU IDIOT!
HEY, STOP...!
STOP
-OP
OH PLEASE, YOU KNEW I WAS GONNA DO THIS THE MOMENT WE WALKED THROUGH YOUR DOOR.
SO WHAT ARE YOU PLAYING ALL INNO-CENT NOW FOR?
YOU'RE SUCH A PAIN.
YOU SAID YOU WOULDN'T DO ANYTHING!
press
GET OUT, BALDY!
GO HOME, BALDY!
tch

MHPM!
press
PHEW!
GUH..
AH
NGH!
GUH
YOU'RE GONNA CHOKE ME...
YOU BASTARD
COUGH!
COUGH!
sigh
HAA
YOU'RE SO CUTE...

fuu
fuu
fuu
urgh
urgh
<SFX: FUCK>
<SFX: THROB>

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トン
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<SFX: HITTING>
ちゅ
<SFX: PLUG>
Haa
LICKING
Haa
Haa
STOP
Haa
Haa
WHAT?
DOES IT FEEL GOOD?
I got a little carried away I guess.
YOU'RE STILL SAYING THINGS LIKE THAT...?
!
Haa
IT FEELS DIS-GUSTING.
Haa
Haa

(RUB)

NO!

OR MAYBE
YOU WANT ME TO HURRY UP AND PUT IT IN?

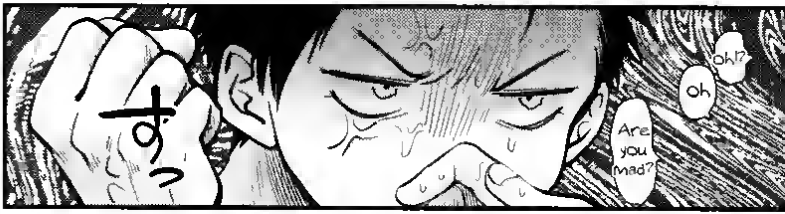
NO WAY~
WOULD YOU LOOK AT THAT! SHOU-KUN IS HOPING FOR IT, TOO.

TAKE OFF YOUR UNDER-WEAR.
NO.
CAN I DO YOU FROM THE FRONT TODAY? I WANT TO SEE YOUR EX-PRES-SIONS.
NO.
WHY NOT?
DON'T WANT TO.
DON'T BE SCARED.
I'M NOT.

W-
WE HAVE WORK
TO-MOR-ROW...
...OH, COME ON...
DON'T LOOK LIKE YOU'RE ABOUT TO CRY.
<PULL>
OW OW OW OW OW!
YOU'RE RIPPING IT OUT!! YOU'RE RIPPING IT OUT!!
It's already fragile as it is!
YOU REALLY CAN'T HANDLE DIRTY TALK...
OKAY, OKAY I GET IT.
I'M NOT GONNA PUT IT IN TODAY.
WHA-!?
PUT YOURS TO MINE
<SFX: RUSTLE>

DON'T RUN AWAY
NOW.
ngh
ngh
kuh
urgh
ngh
ngh
<SFX: SQUELCH>
AH
S-
Haa
S-STOP
Haa
S-
Haa
Haa
Haa
Haa
SO CUTE...
HE'S SO CUTE.
AHH
<SFX: SHUDDER>

HE'S ALL MINE
UNTIL
I CAN'T WAIT
Haa
Haa
Haa
I'M
I'M GONNA CUM!
COMING
L-LET GO!
I'M GONN A CUM!
I'M GONNA CUM...!
URGH!
I'M GONNA



*NOTE: BUKKAKE MEANS TO EJACULATE ON SOMEONE'S FACE

DON'T MAKE ANY PLANS FOR TOMORROW, OKAY?
BACK
OK
MENU
WHAT? ARE WE GOING TO CELEBRATE MY BIRTHDAY? LOL
BACK
OK
MENU
AND HERE I THOUGHT I'D SURPRISE YOU.

KIHARA-SAN

ON THEIR WAY TO A MEETING
THEY GOT INTO AN ACCIDENT.
I'M SO SORRY
THANK YOU
THANK YOU
HELLO,
YOU HAVE AN APPOINT-MENT TODAY, RIGHT?
KIHARA, YOU NEED TO SHAVE YOU LOOK TER-RIBLE
AND DO SOME-THING ABOUT YOUR HAIR

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Mikado
Salon owner.
Became an
independent salon
owner just as he
always wanted and
hired Shoukichi and
Riku to work at
his salon. He takes
his time and does
careful styling so
he has many regular
customers.
Kihara-
san
His styling skills
are better
than most
hardworker.
Shoukichi
(25)
2nd Year Stylist
Debuted at 23
He's not good a
putting on a fak
smile and has no
social skills, so he
can't attract any
customers.
After
haircut
Riku (24)
Assistant
Crossdresser
Always gets
the job done.
Critiqizes
Shoukichi
Fukusuke
(26)
2nd Year Stylist
Mikado invited him
to work at his
salon.
His styling skills are
average, but his
talking skills and
customer hospitali-
ty are terrific. He
is good at attract-
ing and keeping
many customers.
"No"
Makeup
look

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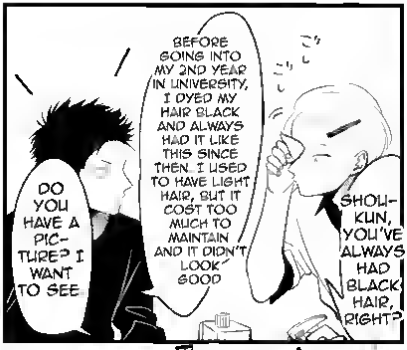
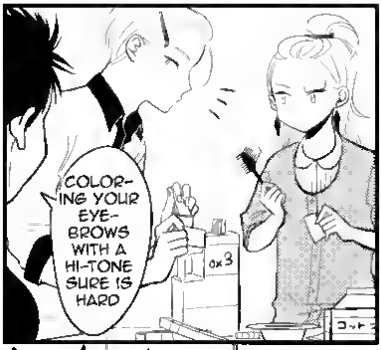

Before going into my 2nd year in university, I dyed my hair black and always had it like this since then. I used to have light hair, but it cost too much to maintain and it didn't look good
Shou-kun, you've always had black hair, right?
Do you have a picture? I want to see



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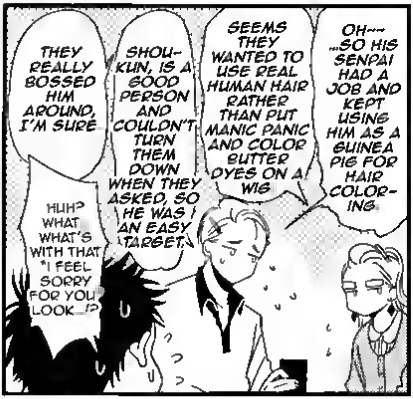
They really bossed him around, I'm sure
Shou-kun, is a good person and couldn't turn them down when they asked, so he was an easy target.
Seems they wanted to use real human hair rather than put manic panic and color butter dyes on a wig
Oh--- ...so his senpai had a job and kept using him as a guinea pig for hair coloring.
Huh? What what's with that "I feel sorry for you look...!?

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